

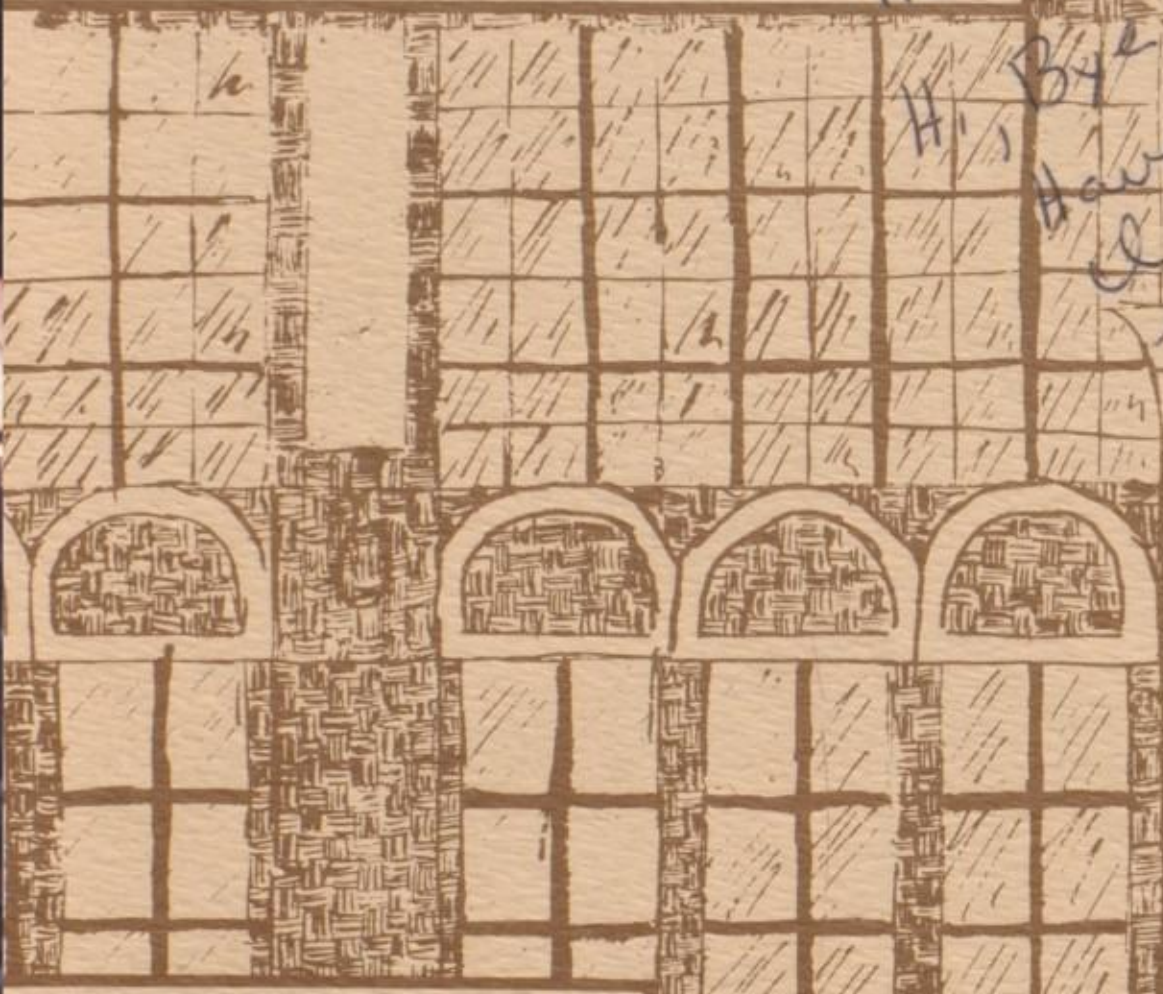
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WELCOME FRESHMAN
HOWDY WEEK
Hello

I should have studied in it. It's a good summer here. I'll see you next year.



Hi, Bye, Have a kick those shorts I got from Handed Purple Hayes!

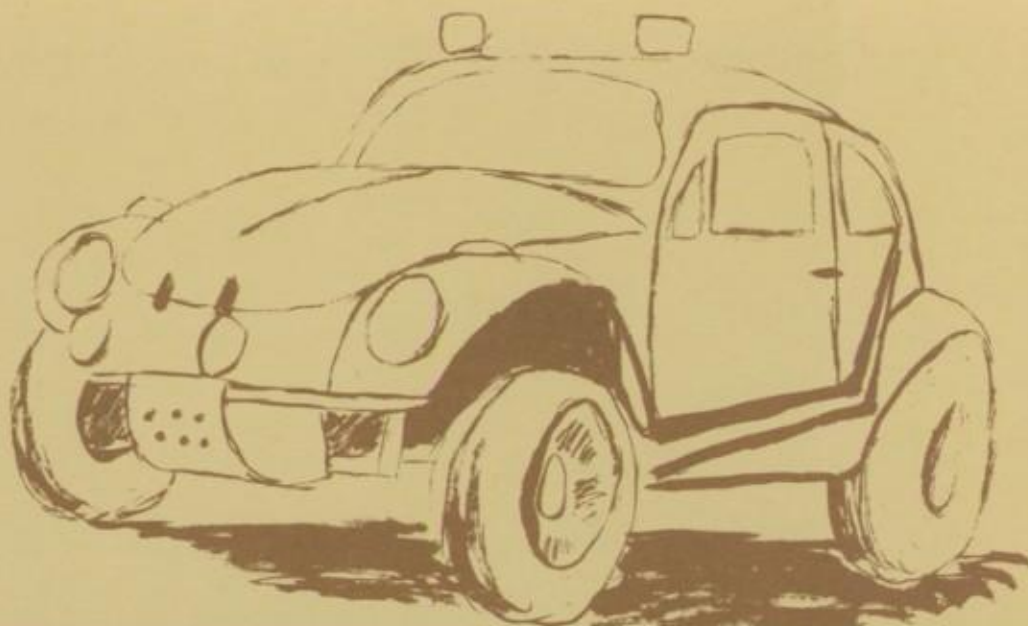
LETTERS



Steve

Have a hot summer
in the Morningside
league. See you on the
court.

Patricia



Steve,
It was fun having you in English,
I was shot down by you. I
kept getting beat up. I didn't
know you! See you on the court.
Hope to see you in the summer
league. I'll see you there.
Patricia

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SCIENCES



KAREN KUAN

Steve,
you, English
was a blast. I
hope that we've got
some hot classes together
next year.
See you you hot dudes
Dana Marsh

Steve, you, English was
really fun. I was
in class with you
next year. I hope
you'll see this
year. I hope you
lot's of days win in summer league
even though we know you won't
lose. I hope you have a great summer
and I'll see you. Robert N.

Xanadu Ree

It was fun having you in English,

AND chemistry. I hope

you get smarter next year

and hopefully, hopefully you

might be able to dunk

a basketball by the end

of the summer. I hope you

see this year. I hope you

lot's of days win in summer league

even though we know you won't

lose. I hope you have a great summer

and I'll see you. Robert N.



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Steve,
you are flat out strange, demented, and many other things but if you
were not you
it has been
these two years,
looking forward
live long and
Steve,
I am with all

ANCE

would not be Steve
somewhat enjoyable
most likely I am
too a 3rd year,
prosper. Marc
Clark

were not you
It has been
these two years,
looking forward
live long and

Steve,
Well even with all
your comments
about me, you'll
a cool dude
See ya next year
'83 rules.
Don

Steve,

Don't you think this
year went by fast? I hope
we do good in the summer
league and next year. If you
take trig I gonna dust you.

Keith

Steve,

Basket Ball is the hottest +
Sport, you getting better so
water out ~~I don't~~ get too
I'll kick your ass man
Steve

Glad to have
known you in
Latin. Have a great
summer! Good luck
Jackie



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Dear Steve,
You definately have the
strangest sense of humor I know
of, but you wouldn't be the same
without it. Have a crazy
summer. Don't get to sun-burned.
And don't wear the gyls out to much.
Have a ~~big~~ crankin' Summer year,
Love and Friends
Sandi

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Steve- it's been great
in English, huh?
Well you're a real
nice guy and I
hope we can have
some classes together
next year! Have
a great summer!
Always -
June

Portrayal Of A Tartar

The theme **Portrayal of a Tartar** recognizes the fact that it takes many elements to create a complete Tartar. A person cannot just show up at Torrance High School and be called a Tartar. Being a Tartar requires an energy and spirit which can only be gained by allowing oneself to enter into the heart of the Student Body.

A complete Tartar is one who becomes involved. Involvement, whether it be through athletics, organizations or attending activities, is the key to success and happiness at Torrance High School.

Steve -

You are cool, Ha Ha
you are, I will see
you all summer because
of Basketball, I will
call during the summer
& we will go to Banning
be cool.

Brian

Steve,

It's been really nice having you in English.

It was a pretty fun class even though it was hard.

St. H. it's

I hope you have a nice summer and I'll see you next year.

THS: 65 Years Of Tradition

Torrance High School's rich and unique history is probably one of the largest influences upon the students.

Torrance High first opened its doors in September of 1917 and was built at a cost of \$40,000. It was originally part of the Los Angeles School District and the grade levels ranged from Kindergarten through the 12th Grade. The first commencement was held in July of 1918 with two graduates.

The site on which Torrance High was built was originally meant to be the site for the city hall. The city planners changed their minds and Torrance High now sits on one of the most scenic sites in Torrance.

The original buildings included, among others, the main building and an auditorium. The present auditorium was built after the original was destroyed by an earthquake in the early 1930's.

Today's Tartar mascot and school colors of maroon and grey have stood as traditions at Torrance High since it opened. Other traditions such as the Alma Mater and the Senior Patio can be traced back to nearly the same period.

1. The original auditorium was destroyed by an earthquake in the early 1930's.



Lee,
We'll hope you have a good year in the fall and keep up the good work in basketball.

Ron Armstrong

Steve, you have the best summer possible + I hope we can get a class 2-gether so we can chat next year!

ALMA MATER

Our Strong Band Shall Ne'er be Broken,
Formed At Torrance High.
Far Surpassing Wealth Unspoken,
Sealed by Friendship's Tie.
Torrance High School Alma Mater
Deep Graven on Each Heart
Shall be Found Unwavering True,
When We From Life Shall Part.

Presented by the Class of '74

Love, Regina Talmo

Steve,
Alas Bruce Alce.
Hey MISTER J.V. bird.
Good luck against those
bloody in the morning side
league. Have a great summer
and I'll see you in college
if you can hack it.
Steve

1. The Torrance High School Alma Mater is one tradition that all classes share. 2. The Senior Pond, by tradition, is a special place for Seniors. 3. Class reunions are a traditional opportunity for old friends to get reacquainted. 4. The Junior Patio is one of the most recognizable spots on campus.



TORRANCE HIGH

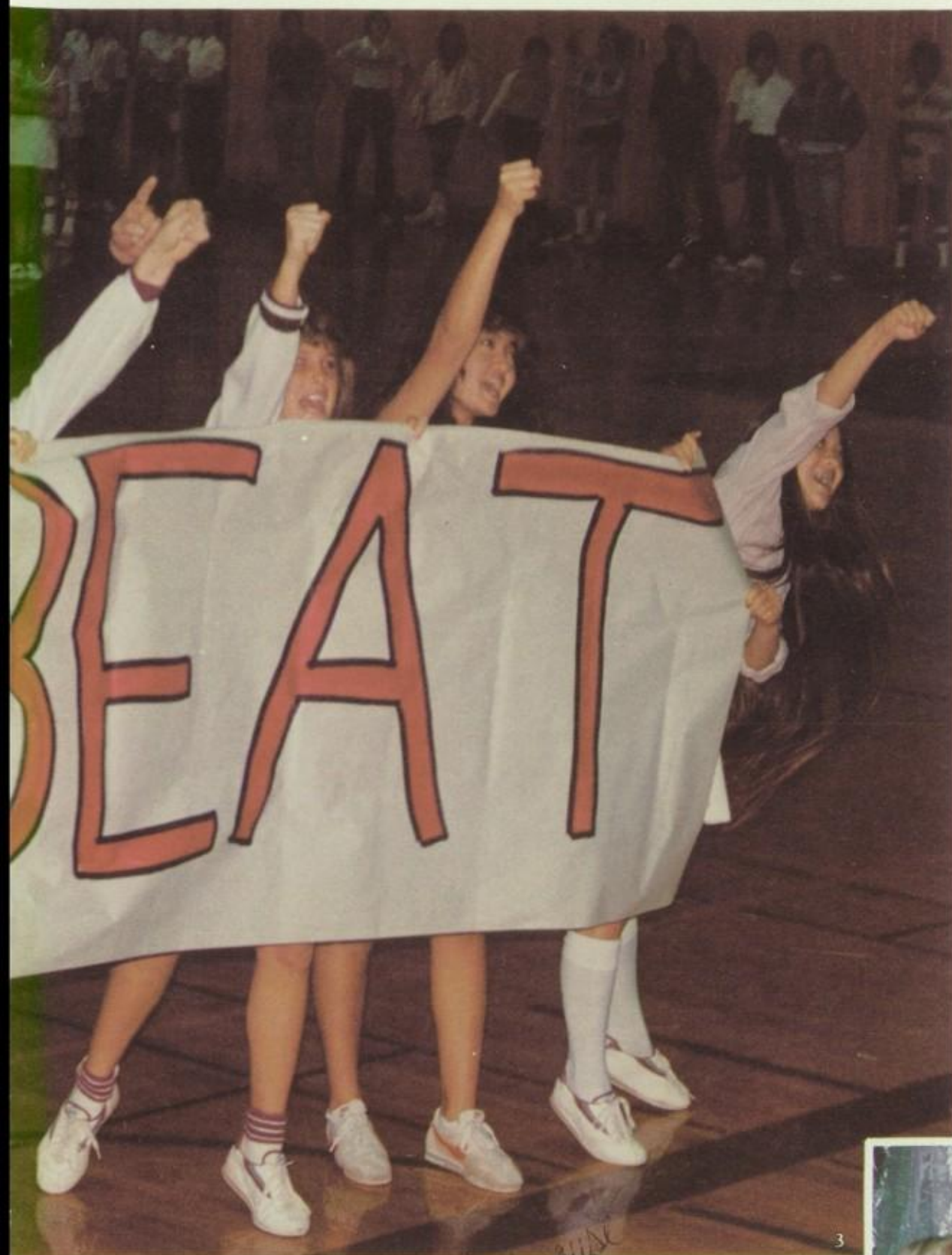
REUNIONS:

1966 - NOV 7

1951 - SEPT 6

Steve
I enjoyed having you in my Geometry class. You were right from last year that you would beat me but wait till next year till I will beat you in Algebra II. Keep it up, at basketball. Have a great summer + stay cool. See you next year. Future tennis pro Koichi Aikawa

Steve
It's been
great knowing
another Steve Lee.
Have a great career
as a basketball star.
See ya around
Jug 82!



Spirit Gets A Boost

School spirit, an integral part of any school, has always been lacking at Torrance High. This year, however, the situation seems to be turning around.

Spirited leaders are involving as many students as possible in pep—raising activities. In order to get more students involved, class competitions, such as relay races and cheering contests, have been added. Relays include everything from running to eating, while in the cheering contest a "spirit stick" is awarded to the President of the "loudest class".

Football is probably one of the largest spirit—raising seasons of the year. With the Tartars starting the year at 2—0, many organizations promoted spirit by sponsoring activities. These include the Sophomore Class pom pon sale and the football team hat and jersey sale. One of the most popular of these activities is the ASB sponsored Rooter Bus; for a price of \$1.00 a student is able to ride a bus to the away, daytime football games.

1. After being announced as part of the Top 30, **Tami Chamberlain** and **Chandra Ronnie** escort **Mike Villasenor** down the aisle.



Steve,
Well, our
sophomore year is
now over. That is going
to be another great year, because
we're going to be seniors.
I maybe not have a
class together and we'll know
each other better. We'll have a
hall of a summer
your friend,
Nolan
Noy

Torrance: A City In Transition

Torrance's growth as a community is also an important influencing factor on Torrance High. The new commercial and business developments not only provide a progressive atmosphere but also provide many new employment opportunities for job-seeking students.

These changes, however, are not all positive. Many people are opposed to these developments on the basis that they may harm the environment. Madrona Marsh, a 54.5 acre parcel of land adjacent to Del Amo Fashion Center, has probably caused the largest amount of public interest. Developers have submitted building plans leaving only 10 acres for the Marsh. This, however, dissatisfies the "Friends of Madrona Marsh", who have been doing their best to stop the development of this "natural preserve".

One of the most significant commercial developments is the newly complete Del Amo Fashion Center. With its new addition which spans Carson, the mall is the largest in the world. Other large developments include: Skypark, a office complex adjacent to Torrance Airport; and the modernization of the Police and Fire buildings.

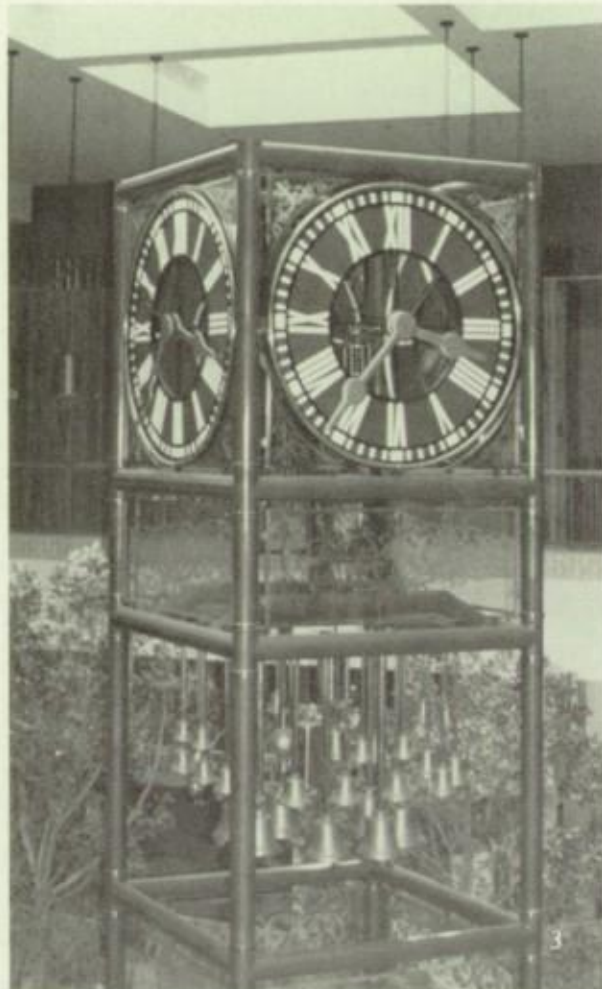
1. The Skypark development will provide many jobs for the citizens of Torrance.



Lee
so how is
going to be
a pretty good year
you say. Even
the big vi B ball
did on school at least
well hope to
and this summer, keep
friends Mark
Yonai



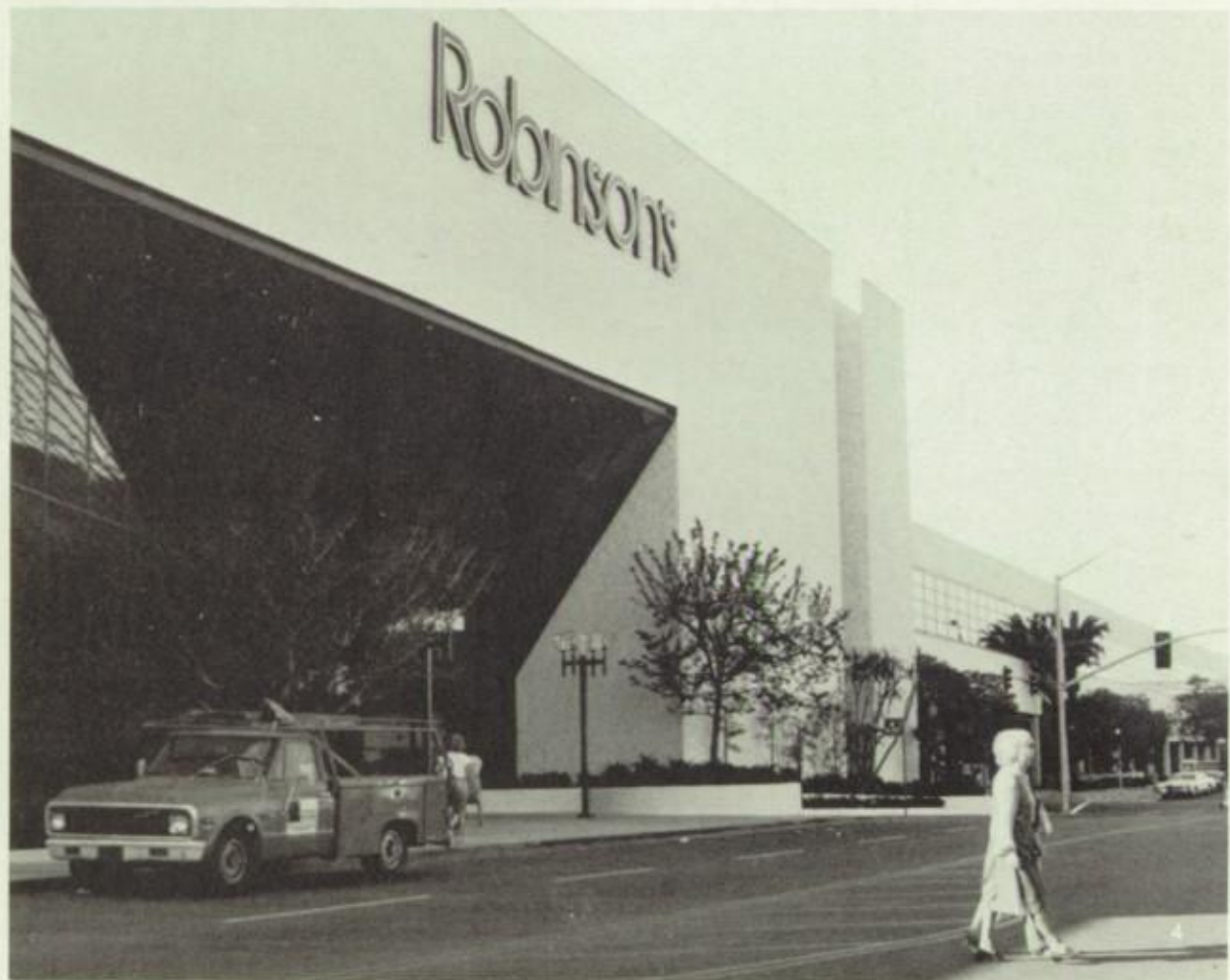
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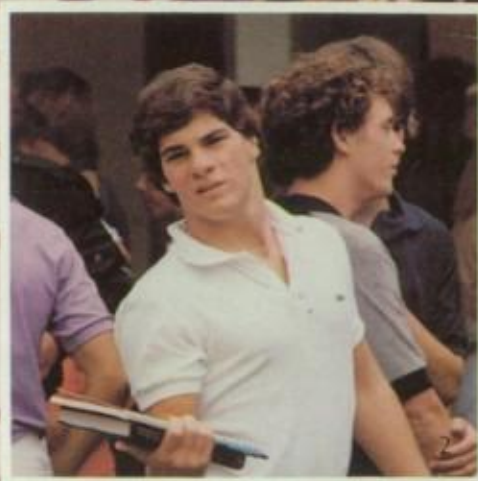
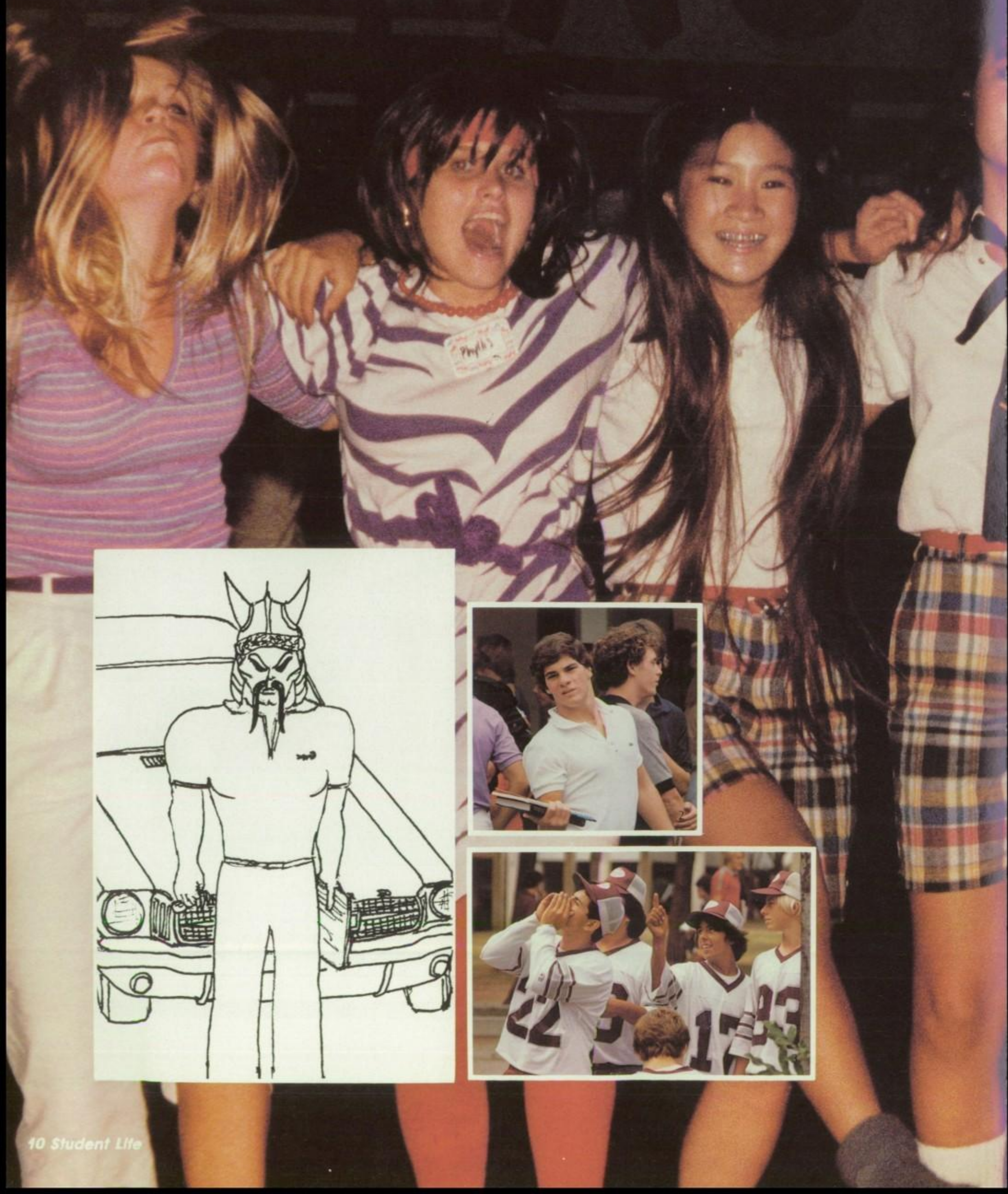
Steve, Have a great
summer. And start
partying. Hope to
see you next year.

Doug

1. Despite efforts to save it, Madrona Marsh may soon disappear. 2. Many people see the Marsh as a "natural preserve". 3. This large chiming clock is the center of attraction in "the mall's" new addition. 4. The Robinson's Department Store is the largest single store addition to Del Amo Fashion Center.



STUDENT LIFE





Steve,
 So, it was a long hard
 year this year. ~~that~~ ^{wish} you
 the best of luck in the
 future.
 SCOTT
 Krawnski

Events Color Student Life

School activities, such as dances and rallies, are an important part of school life. Just as an artist adds color to a painting in order to set a mood or feeling, so do activities add a color or mood to student life.

Activities are one way in which the students may gather and enjoy this time of their lives. Students, through these activities, are able to express themselves in their own unique way. For instance, dances such as the Halloween Dance give the students a chance to dress in whatever way they desire. This provides a needed relief from the pressures of school.

The art forms of music and fashion are also becoming extremely important parts of student life. The widely differing tastes in both also allow the students to freely express themselves.

The activities a student chooses to participate in provides him with a means with which to add color to the portrait of his own life.

1. Getting the year off to a good start, **Terri Derrickson**, **Phyllis Currier**, **Stacy Ryono**, **Lisa Hayakawa**, and **Wendy Rupnik**, show their enthusiasm at the Howdy Dance. 2. Rushing to class, **Karl Hirsch** impatiently waits for a friend. 3. Varsity football players, **Ralph Ramirez**, **Mike Romero** and **Ronnie Anderson** recruit spectators for Friday's game.

"Raiders," General Hospital: Number One Choices

The action packed movie, **Raiders of the Lost Ark** was clearly the number one choice of over 200 students who participated in a random survey. Other favorites were **Arthur**, **Stripes**, **Endless Love**, **Heavy Metal**, and **An American Werewolf in London**. The average Tartar went to the movie theater once or twice a month and enjoyed watching actors and actresses Harrison Ford, Robert Redford, Bo Derek, Bill Murray, Goldie Hawn, Clint Eastwood, Burt Reynolds, and Brooke Shields.

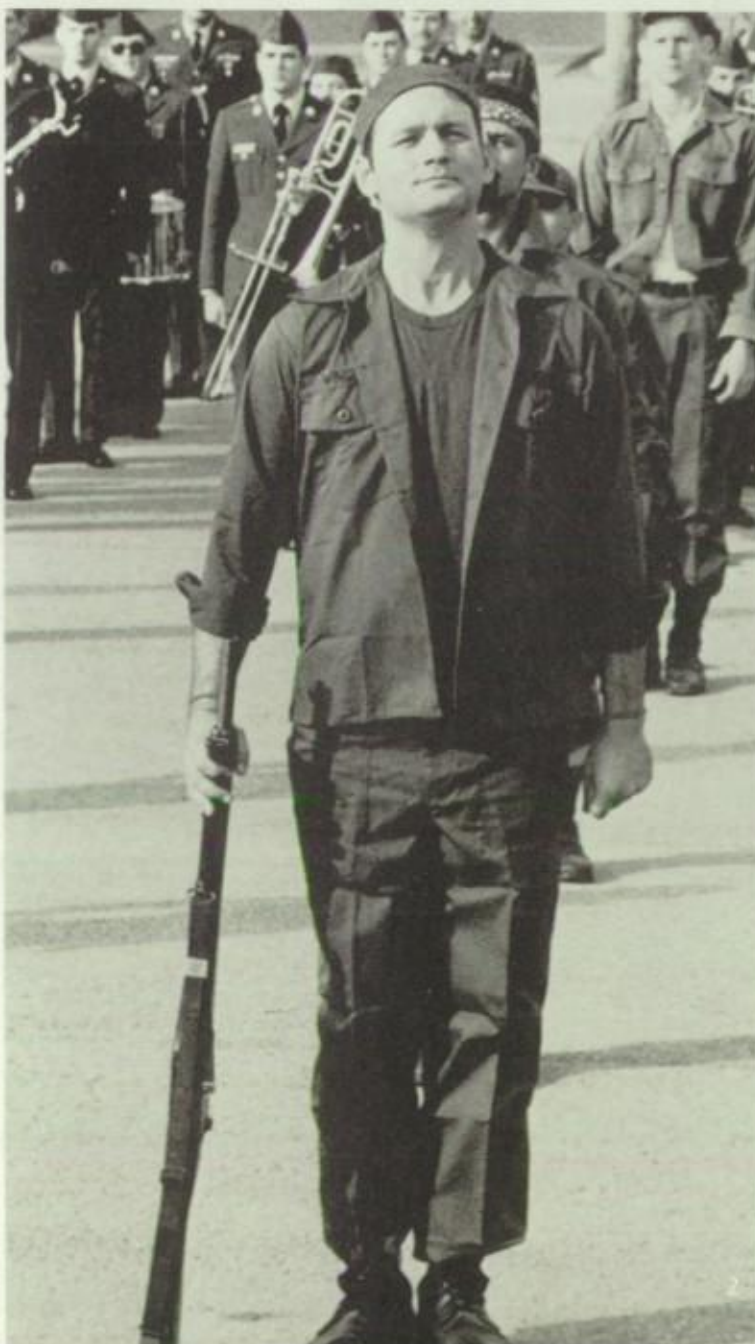
Over half the students watched daytime serials, commonly known as soap operas. The great majority of the "soap" watchers closely followed the adventures of Luke and Laura,

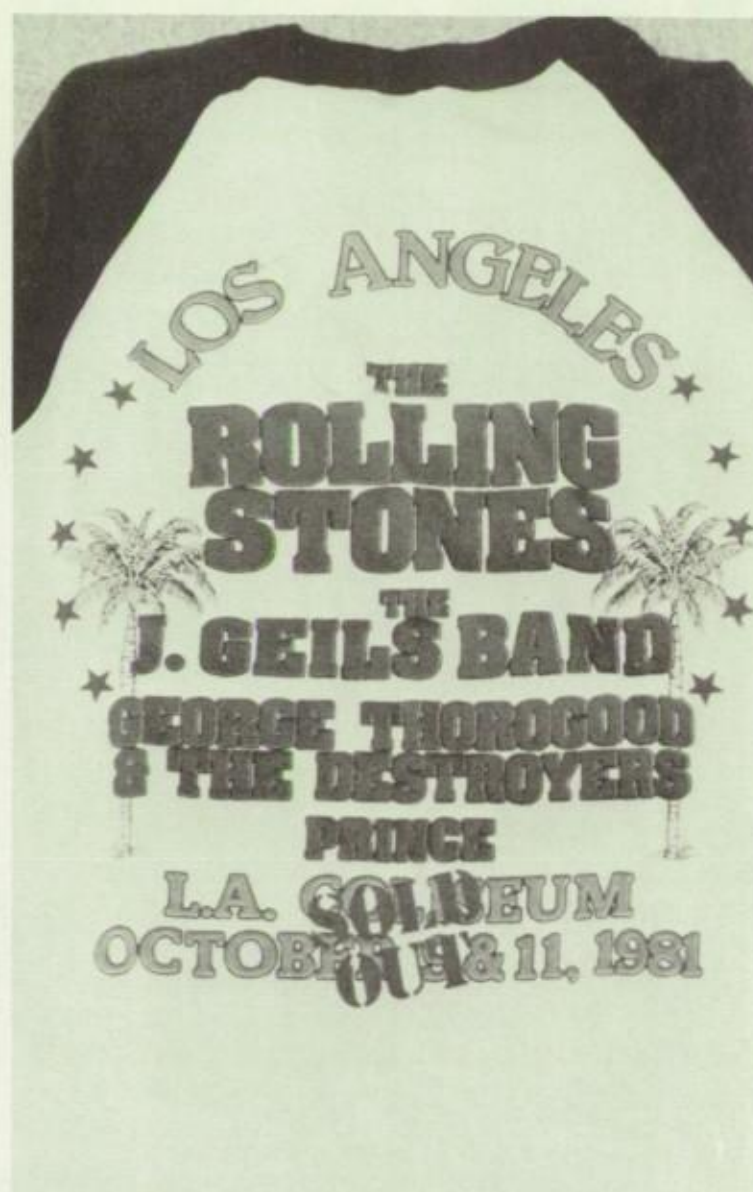
Over 14 million T.V. viewers turn into General Hospital daily.

and Dr. Noah Drake on the top rated serial **General Hospital**. Students also enjoyed watching the serials **All My Children**, **One Life to Live**, and **The Edge of Night**.

Ranging from fast food establishments to restaurants, Tartars chose to eat at places such as McDonald's, Taco Bell, Carls Jr., Round Table Pizza, Marie Callender, El Paso Cantina, Velvet Turtle, and Ichabod Crane's. To reach these establishments, students often drove small economy cars, such as the especially popular Mustang, and VW Bug.

1. In a scene from the movie **Arthur**, millionaire playboy Arthur Bach (Dudley Moore) amuses himself by sipping cocktails and singing Christmas carols. 2. Bill Murray stars as the modern Army's unlikely hero in the movie **Stripes**. 3. Special interests of Torrance High Students are exhibited in their choices in magazines.





1. 1981 marked the year The Rolling Stones returned to Los Angeles for a two day concert appearance after a several year absence. 2. Genie Francis and Anthony

Geary portray the characters Luke Spencer and Laura Baldwin in the popular daytime serial **General Hospital**.



1. THS Preppys unite by wearing pink alligator polo shirts. 2. Anti Prep sentiments are shown on **Jennifer Waddell's** and **Cheryl Odgen's** sweatshirts. 3. Stickers and stripes decorate **Greg Wiehe's** Baja Bug. 4. Petite rocker, Pat Benatar belts out top record singles such as "Promises in the Dark."



Yesterday's Styles Add New Options

Styles of the past, knickers, mini skirts, ruffled blouses, sweater mini dresses, tights and flat shoes made a big hit on campus with the return of the Renaissance and Sixties looks. Accessories played a big role, with the girls completing their outfits with twisted headbands, and metallic shoes, bags, belts and gold leaves fashioned into belts and jewelry. Other girls preferred the classics, the below the knee skirt, blazer, and walking shorts. Both girls and guys turned Preppy, wearing Topsiders, oxfords, pleated pants, jeans, button down shirts, crew neck sweaters and a rainbow of polo shirts.

According to a random survey of 200 students, rock remained the number one musical category with new wave gaining momentum as the number two preference. Favorite rock artists included AC/DC, The Rolling Stones, Led Zeppelin, Styx, Van Halen

KLOS, KMET, KROQ: THS students' favorites.



and Bruce Springsteen. New wave and punk fans favored groups such as the Pretenders, Missing Persons, Devo, the Circle Jerks, Adam and the Ants and Oingo Boingo. Recent top albums were Rush's "Moving Pictures," Pat Benatar's "Precious Time," REO Speed Wagon's "Hi Infidelity," the Go Gos' "Beauty and the Beat," and Journey's "Escape."

Students tuned into FM radio stations and listened to their favorite summer and school year songs such as, Air Supply's "The One That You Love" and "Here I Am," Journey's "Who's Crying Now," the Go Gos' "Our Lips Are Sealed" and "We've Got the Beat," Diana Ross and Lionel Richie's "Endless Love," and Rush's "Tom Sawyer." Other favorite songs included Joe Scarbury's "Believe it or Not," Foreigner's "Urgent," Christopher Cross's "Arthur's Theme," and Rick Springfield's "Jesse's Girl" and "I've Done Everything for You."

1. Hanging out at the science building planters, **Rochelle Noday** opts for the mini skirt and metallic look. **2.** At the Velvet Turtle restaurant, **Phyllis Currier, Ronnie Anderson, Deda Kladouris, Mike Villasenor, Lars Viklund, Lisa Casanova, Sam Kim,** and **Chandra Ronnie** model the Renaissance, Sixties and Preppy styles.

Senior Boys Mob Top 30 Winners

Tension and excitement filled the Boy's gym on the day of the Top 30 pep rally. Students of all grade levels were expectant, but the seniors had the most emotion involved for it was they who had elected and been elected to the "Top 30" guys and girls of the school. The "Top 30" were those seniors who had, in the judgment of their classmates, contributed or served Torrance High the most during their four years here.

The names of the winners were then announced. First a girl, announced by Mr. Jim Armstrong, then a Top 30 guy, by Mrs. Jackie Stanton. One by one the winners were announced, and each one, ecstatic and exhilarated, rushed down the aisle, most to receive congratulatory hugs from the cheerleaders lining the floor. The male winners were a bit rough with their fellow winners grabbing and tripping each other. One Top 30 winner, Marshall Ozawa,

The Top 30 Rally... was one of the most exciting things I've experienced at school.

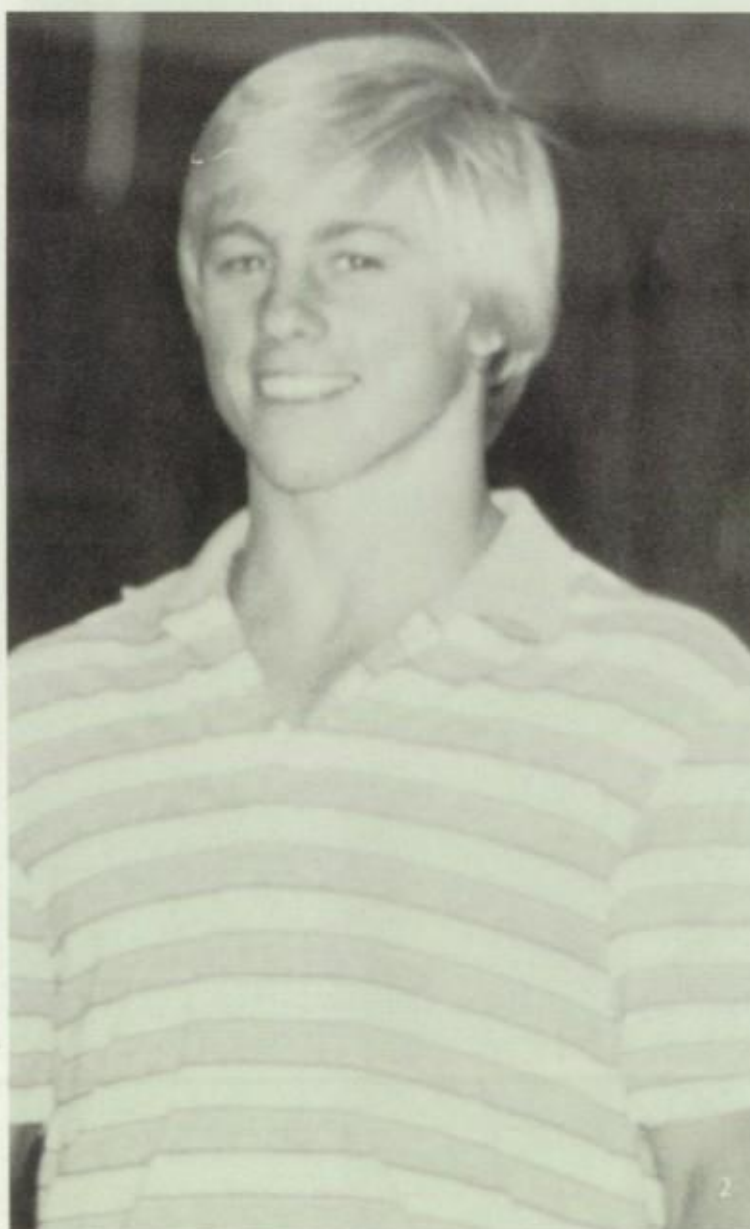
- Robyn Powell

received a bloody ear, but of his injury merely said, "It was all in fun. No one was out to hurt anyone."

Tom Yi, one winner, said "I feel really honored at being recognized, but there are a lot of people that deserved recognition that didn't get it and a lot of popular people that got it that didn't deserve it." Liz Neary, another winner, said, "I was in shock when they called my name. I felt appreciated, but I also felt that some people who deserved it didn't get picked." Bobbi Pavis, however, remained optimistic. "They should have a Top 60 rally", she said with a laugh.

All the winners shared the same sentiments on the subject of being involved in school. Lars Viklund, one winner, expressed it the best. "The Top 30 Rally is nice, but not really necessary. Being involved is a reward in itself."

1. Winner, **Robyn Powell** smiles happily at the announcement of her name at the Top 30 rally. 2. Tall, proud, and grinning, **Ronnie Anderson** walks up to receive his carnation.

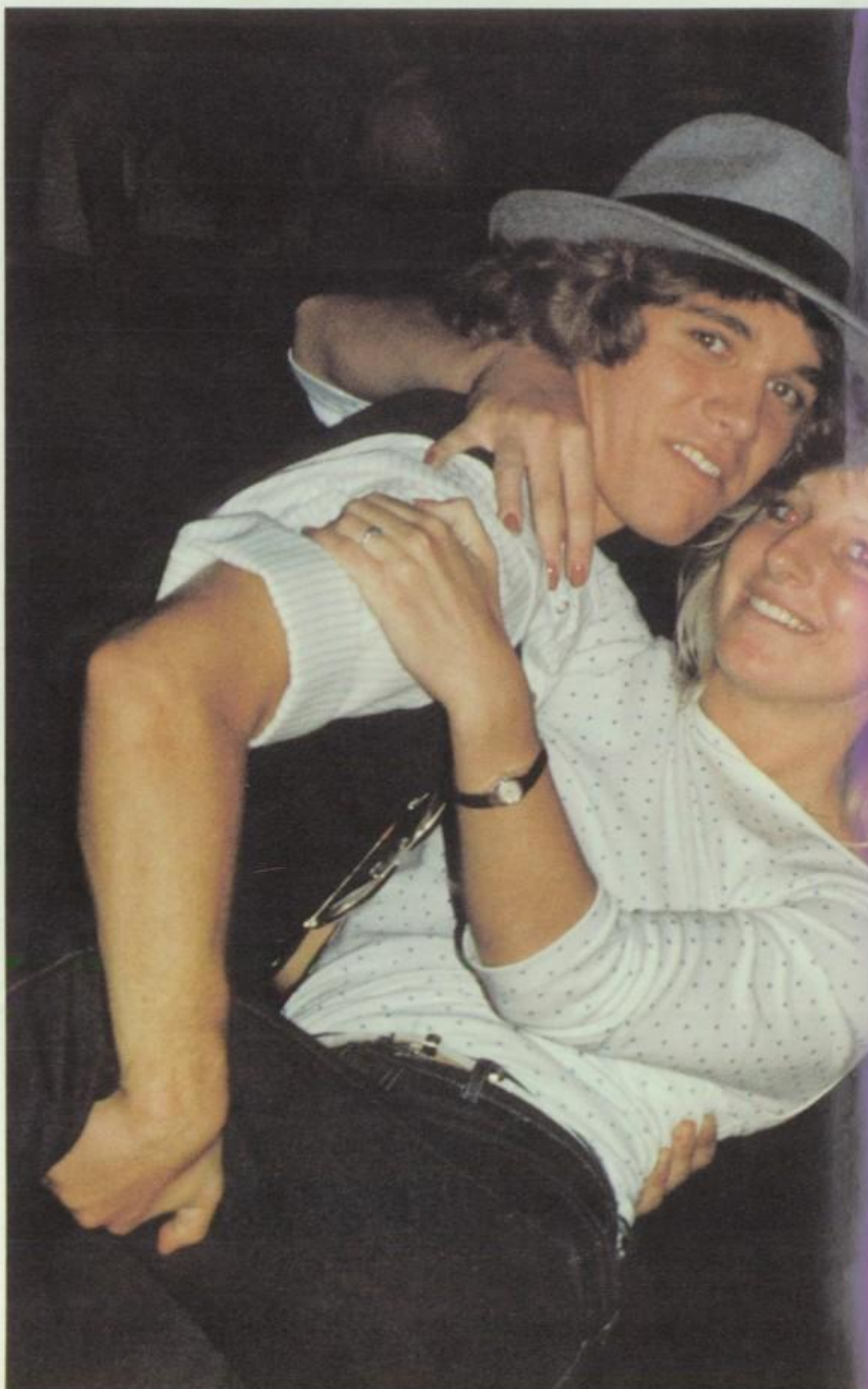


1. Top 30. Front Row: **Bobbi Pavis, Becca Arnado, Tami Chamberlin, Mariam Mintz, Chandra Ronnie, Phyllis Currier, Liz Neary.** Second Row: **Kathy Gefvert, Terri Derrickson, Paige Leech, Shauna Koenig, Julie Tokashiki, Dana Harris, Kim Ruffell.** Third Row: **Tom Yi, Marshall Ozawa, Greg Fong, Matt Diagostine, Barry Kikuno, Mike**

Manuel, Alan Marumoto. Back Row: **Pim Jansen, Alan Zafran, Oliver Meyer, Lars Viklund, Barry Gerber, Pat Such, Mike Villasenor, Ronnie Anderson, Ralph Ramirez.** **2.** An ecstatic **Bobby Pavis** receives congratulations from a friend. **3.** **Tami Chamberlin** waits in happy anticipation for the announcement of the next winner.



1. While on the dance floor, **Todd Spencer** and **Shirley Brennan** share a quiet moment together. 2. Various food items sit in solitude, awaiting the start of Monday's food eating contest. 3. Determined to win the food eating contest for the Senior Class, **Fred Carlson** puts all his effort into blowing a bubble. 4. While exhibiting their dancing talents, **Eric Manley** and **Susan Reasor** enjoy the Howdy Dance.



Howdy Week Sparks Spirit

Words of encouragement could be heard as students blew bubbles and gulped down cans of fruit cocktail. These were just a few of the sights seen in the food eating contest that marked the start of Howdy Week, which welcomed students back to Torrance High. Pep units organized daily class competition events at snack from Monday, September 21 to Friday, September 25.

Junior Bob Strelch ate his way to victory in Monday's food eating contest, putting his class out to an early lead in the class competition. However, on Tuesday, after repeated attempts, the combined Freshmen/Sophomore Team built the fastest human pyramid. On Wednesday, the seniors showed that their talent wasn't lacking as

"Hopefully, the dance will set a good tone for the coming year"
— Alan Zafran

they won the licorice eating contest. Thursday's obstacle race did not hinder the seniors either as the team of David Alvarez, Shauna Koenig, and Julie Tokashiki helped to give the seniors another win, thus becoming the overall winners in the class competition.

Highlighting the week's events was the traditional Howdy Dance held on Friday, September 25. When Alan Zafran, Senior Class President, was asked about why the Senior Class Council chose a disc jockey over a band he said, "I think the crowd was responsive to the DJ, more so than if we had gotten a band." Approximately 575 students attended the dance bringing in an \$868 profit for the Senior Class.

1. Steve Herzig and Laura Bingham show their affection for one another. **2.** Representing the Junior Class in the obstacle race, **Monique Marcoux** attempts to negotiate the tires.



Flanneled Tartars Invade THS

Stripes, polka dots, and drop-seat jammies were worn as 425 Tartars "beebopped around the gym" January 28, at the Pajama Jam. Flannel Fun, hosted by the Senior Class, turned out to be a success, although there were weeks of controversy before the dance was approved. Even though ASB approved the new dance idea, the administration did not. The administration felt as a whole that the overall theme of the dance had immoral connotations. Fears that students would come to the dance in distasteful attire were put at ease as ASB members assured the administration that

"I thought the Pajama Dance was a boss idea and hope to have another one next year."

-Tim O'Brien

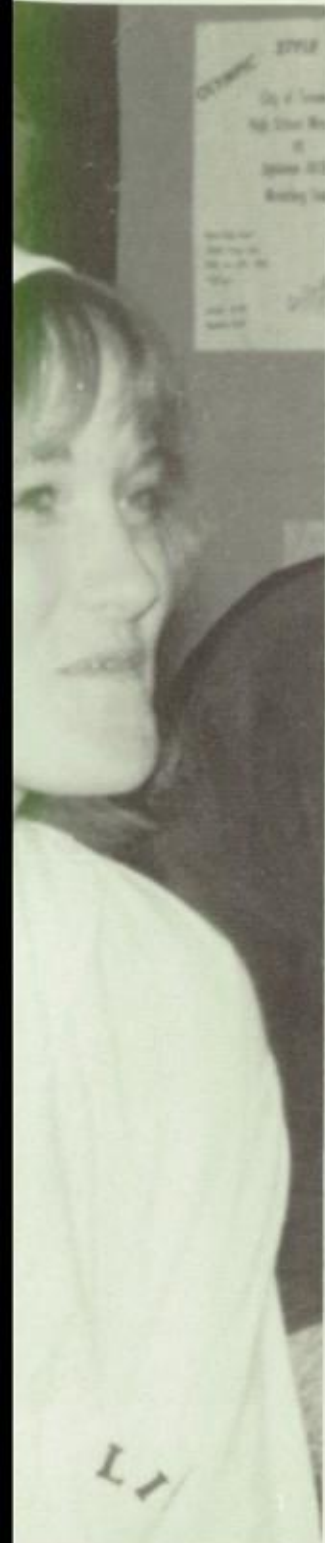
Tartars had better sense.

Music at the dance was provided by D.J. Gene Pro, from Pro Productions. Songs by groups such as the GoGo's, the Pretenders, Loverboy, the Police, Journey, the B-52's, and the Ramones were played at the dance.

The reason the Senior Class put on the dance was not only to raise funds for the Class Council and graduation, but also to bring an original dance idea to THS and to have fun. As Senior Class President Alan Zafran put it, "Everyone jammed in their jammies."

1. Juniors **Jackie Joyner** and **Lisa Reno** display their choice in sleeping caps. **2.** **Kris Odgers** and **Marcela Arancibia** show their style in their drop-seat jammies.





1. Freshmen **Missy Griffith** and **Jillene Spencer** pose for a picture with their "dates." 2. **Robby Jones** is interrupted as "Teddy Bear" cuts in on his dance. 3. Waiting for the cameraman, **Lisa Coskey**, **Christen Erikson**, and **Stacy Cobb** relive their childhood with toys and candy.



1. Several enthusiastic couples take a break from dancing.
 2. Homecoming provides a good opportunity for students and alumni to get together. 3. **Bobbi Pavis** and **Ronnie Anderson** appear at the dance as the elected Homecoming Queen and King. 4. Princess **Robyn Powell** blushes as she is escorted down the aisle by her father **Mr. Bill Powell** at the Homecoming game.





Homecoming: A Victory All Around

On November 6, even as the Tartar varsity football team was on its way to a 20-6 victory over North, couples began arriving at Old Towne Mall for the Homecoming Dance. For a price of \$12.00, couples were admitted to the dance held annually to honor a Homecoming court of four princesses and princes, a Queen, and a King, which had been previously chosen by the students and announced at a pep rally. The court consisted of princesses Robyn Powell, Kathy Gefvert, Becca Arnado, and Terri Derrickson; princes Marshall Ozawa, Ralph Ramirez, Alan Marumoto, and Frank Lewin, King Ronnie Anderson and Queen Bobbi Pavis. Bobbi's reaction at the time she was announced as Queen was, "I went into shock... it made me look back at my childhood dreams about high school and realize that all of my dreams

"The funniest part about being king is when people would come up to me and get on their knees and bow."

- Ronnie Anderson

have been answered."

Homecoming, however, was also aimed at giving the last year's alumni a chance to come back to THS. Many people, both students and alumni, took advantage of this. Ronnie Anderson commented, "It is a good time for me to meet the alumni of last year, and that's important to me."

For a large dance like this to be fun for everyone, a lot of planning had to be made. Service League annually was in charge of preparation for the dance and as early as September had been meeting, planning, and choosing everything from colors, to themes, to bands. The theme song, Air Supply's "Here I Am", was sung at the dance by Shirley Alvarez, who was accompanied by the band **HiFi**.

1. Princess **Terri Derrickson** awaits the annual court procession around the football field at half time. **2.** The 1981 Homecoming Court: **Robyn Powell, Ralph Ramirez, Kathy Gefvert, Marshall Ozawa, Bobbi Pavis, Ronnie Anderson, Becca Arnado, Frank Lewin, Terri Derrickson, Alan Marumoto**, and honorary member **Pim Jansen**.



Dracula: Technically Superb

A blood-sucking, evil, yet sensuous man-monster was the central character in the senior play presented December 2-5 in the Auditorium. The drama department's production of **Dracula** was frightening and spine-tingling.

Directed by Mr. Charles Slater, the two main characters in the play were double-cast. Dracula was played on alternate nights by Steve Beckler and Victor Cocchiaro, and Lucy, Dracula's latest victim, by Carole Johnson and Jamie Pettit.

The plot is simple and direct. Count Dracula comes to London from his native Transylvania and victimizes Lucy Seward, whose father, Dr. Seward (Steve Herzig) directs a mental sanitarium. Professor Van Helsing, a Dutch scientist played by Erik McBeth, comes to try to help Lucy, at Dr. Seward's request. He soon finds out that Dracula is the cause of Lucy's "sickness" and must be destroyed.

"People will love Dracula because they love to be scared." -Victor Cocchiaro

With the help of Dr. Seward and Mr. Harker, Lucy's fiance, played by Pim Jansen, Van Helsing leads them to Dracula and, in an exciting final scene, destroys him.

The technical aspect of the play was very difficult to do, according to Mr. Slater, and according to viewers of the play, was done very well. Jamie Pettit, said of the production, "The most difficult thing about doing the play was putting together the technical and artistic aspects and trying to get the timing right."

Judging from audience reaction, the cast, the crew and the director did an excellent job in all aspects of the production. "The play was fantastic!" "The special effects were outstanding," and "The casting was very good" were some of the positive remarks made by the viewers.

1. Dracula, **Steve Beckler**, is about to satisfy his hunger with his latest victim, Lucy (**Carole Johnson**). 2. Lucy (**Jamie Pettit**) screams in terror as Dracula (**Victor Cocchiaro**) swoops out of the fireplace menacingly.

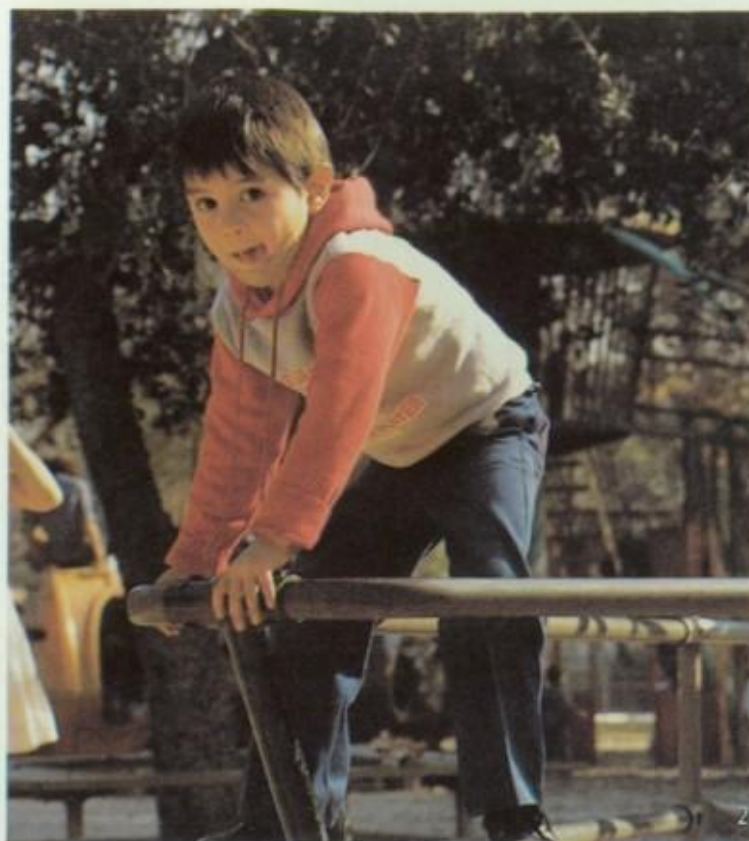


1. Cast and crew of *Dracula*. Front row: **Danny Cancelleno, Sandy Morgan, Tee Hunter, Mr. Charles Slater, Marcela Arancibia, Steve Musil**. Second row: **Carole Johnson, Victor Cocchiaro, Jamie Pettit, Steve Herzig**. Third row: **Pim Jansen, Dana Marsh, Erik McBeth,**

Steve Beckler, Julie Tilsner, Steve Basile. 2. A tender moment is shared by the young lovers Lucy (**Jaime Pettit**) and John (**Pim Jansen**). 3. The sanitarium attendant (**Steve Basile**) has fun while trying to scare the maid (**Julie Tilsner**) with a mouse.



1. Playboy bunnies **Jay Scarcella**, **John Goldsworthy**, and **Alan Yoshino** strut their stuff at the Halloween Dance. 2. Many Los Angeles minority children participate in the Headstart program. 3. **David Rouscher** takes pride in his devilish smile. 4. **Cindy Powell** plays "patty cake" with her Headstart playmate.



Tartar Spirit Shines Through in Holiday Costumes

Ghosts and goblins came to spook Torrance High on October 30. Students "rocked out" at the annual Halloween Dance from 8:30 to 11:30 in the boys' gym. Students danced to rock and new wave music played by the band, **Cookin'**. Some of the more popular costumes were playboy bunnies, martians, vampires, devils, gangsters, and punk rockers. Most original, ugliest, and cutest couple costume prizes were awarded to Rubik's Cube Jim Kim, combat soldier Steve Boschetti, and old fashioned girl and boy Kristy Thornton and Jay Barrington. At the conclusion of the dance, Junior Lisa Gillard stated, "I thought the dance was a success. Everyone was dressed up and there were a

"Even though this was my first time participating in Headstart, I really enjoyed the experience and I am looking forward to going next year." - Gary Morris

lot of original costumes."

Headstart had been a THS tradition for the past ten years. On December 15, 120 students traveled by school bus to Roosevelt Park to meet and play with 300 underprivileged preschool children. Students dressed up in Christmas costumes in order to bring out the holiday spirit, and Victor Cocchiaro played Santa Claus. Each child received a pack of crayons and one coloring book from Santa, at the conclusion of the activity. Rochelle Noday, who helped plan the activity, said, "I had fun putting it on and everyone seemed to enjoy it, especially the kids."

1. Nanci Smith and Nina Marcoux wait their turn for the horse swings. **2. Christine Irvine** finds a solution to **Jim Kim's** Rubik's Cube. **3. Mouse, Lisa Bradford**, flirts with a nearby boy mouse.



Seniors Frustrated as Juniors Triumph

For the second time in THS history, the junior girls triumphed over the senior girls in the annual Powderpuff football game December 11 at the football stadium.

The junior coaches, headed by Micah Irvine, led the Juniors to victory as Lisa Bradford ran for a 40-yard, touchdown-pass play thrown by Donna Drake, to bring the score to 6-0 in the second quarter. Then Monique Marcoux ran for an extra two point conversion, leaving the score at 8-0 at the end of the first half.

"I'm glad we won and hope we win again next year." -Lisa Bradford

Although the score remained the same throughout the second half, the Senior team put up a good fight. Runningbacks Stephanie Beedle and Colleen Kevany brought the ball up to the 20-yard line, but could not put the ball in the end zone. Colleen Kevany admitted, "Although losing hurt, it was a good game."

Senior coach, Marshall Ozawa replied after the game, "Even though we lost, we'll at least be known as the second class to ever lose two years in a row."

1. Junior team. Front row: **Donna Bureson, Shelley McDonald, Christine Irvine, Beth Snodgrass, Jennifer Silasy, Jill McNeal, Liz Malone, Donna Drake, Monique Marcoux, Dana McKee, Lisa Bradford, Tracy Stevenson, Lori Fong, Carole Rocha, Angel Castillo.** Second row: **Tracey Young, Karen Kwan, Claudia Bonilla, Lisa Hayakawa, Stacy Ryono, Julie DeSilets, Kelly Nordhoff, Michelle Morgan, Kim Olcean, Carla Amos, Cheryl Ono, Deda Kladouris, Cindy Allen, Kim Pike, Cathy Urwin, Melinda Laucht.** Third row: **Gina Eastham, Allison Miki, Melissa Bello, Sheri Jang, Patty Lobb, Corinne Russell, Susan Johnson, Mary Ellen Napier, Doree Taylor, Cathy Yamamoto, Sandra Ogawa, Tracy Kirkpatrick, Sharon Carter, Chris Spellacy, Veronica Vigil, Mary Goodrich, Jamie Morris.** Fourth row: **Leslie Gerhardt, Denise Atsumi, Steffanie Richardson, Amy Arnold, Michelle Rubens, Erin Basmajian, Lisa Krant, Kathy Draggio, Cara Watson, Jasmine Costa, Susan Reasor, Jennifer Jamieson, Colleen Kozawa, Corrina Hunke, Debbie Lynd.** Fifth row: **Kim Nelson, Heidi Larson, Marissa Melling, Kim Keidser, Talarie Troke, Cindy Kasterko, Linda Barker, Lisa Gillard, Lisa Reno, Jackie Joyner, Shayna Eskew, Judy Butler, Lorena Ramirez, Norine Aoki, Donna Akahoshi, Kim Donner.** Sixth row: Junior coaches **Tim Perdew, David Hatakeyama, Micah Irvine, Kevin Baddeley, Sean Brennan, Mike Begnaud, and Deanna Milligan.** 2. Junior **Claudia Bonilla** chases senior **Donelle Cucci** as she runs with the ball.

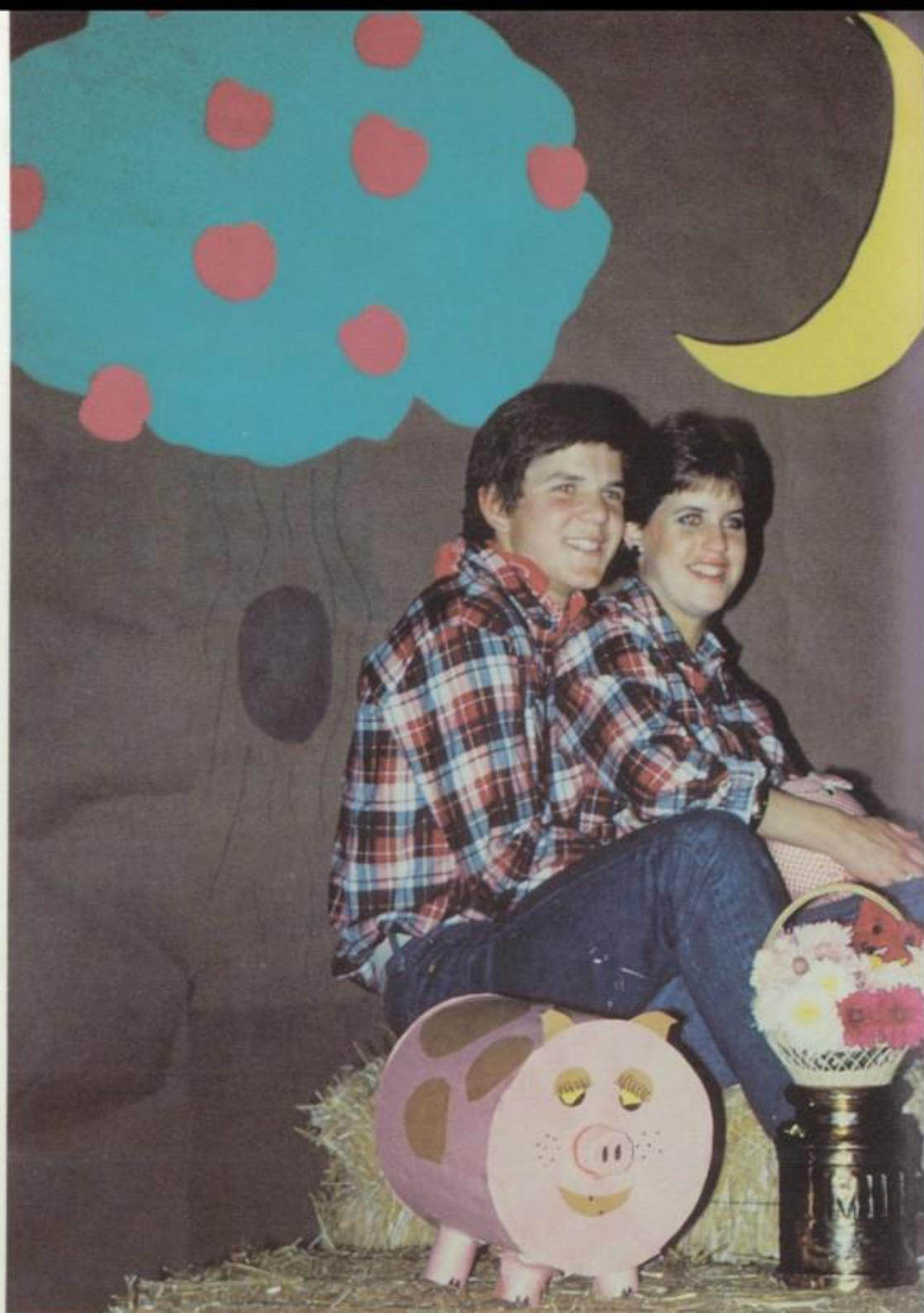




1. Junior receiver, **Lisa Bradford** runs for a touchdown as senior **Jill Learman** leaps toward her. 2. "Cheerleaders" **Gary Hutton, Trent Trapp, Ted Allison, Jack Kightlinger** and **Danny Trujillo** show off their talent while trying to boost senior spirit. 3. Juniors go crazy over their winning touchdown. 4. Senior team. Front row: **Sue Lakawski, Sharon Kappe, Chris Cordeiro, Cindy Kasko, Cindy Williams, Donelle Cucci, Paige Leech, Phyllis Currier, Wendy Jameson, Tricia Henderson, Stephanie Beedle, Amy Burkhart, Sarah Callier, Debbie Moerke, Jennifer Malloy**. Second row: **Dana Henderson, Tricia Acosta, Carrie Callier, Jennifer Turnburg, Linda Fox, Rochelle Noday, Chandra Ronnie, Miriam Mintz, Tammy Chamberlain, Hollie Baker, Lisa Casanova, Cindy Gregory, Michelle Marshall, Marie Kay, Saskia Claas, Jana Knight**. Third row: **Lori Neill, Karen Byrne, Robyn Powell, Carolyn Atsumi, Vivian Mesa, Florence Suzuki, Elena Morales, Tina Dedman, Brenda Minor, Sue Sargent, Sue Pursche, Carlene Yoshida, Kristi Thornton, Wendy Rupnik, Angela Kim, Kris Sylvester, Suzi Oberf**. Fourth row: **Vikki White, Cindy Christian, Fiona Barclay, Kris Odgers, Marcella Arancibia, Kelly Cress, Amber Bowers, Shirley Alvarez, Roxanne Moeder, Heather Hulsey, Carolyn Stone, Jennifer Lee, Diana Sader, Eve Kraus, Sue Ellen Zelhart, Debbie Graham**. Fifth row: **Jill Learman, Michelle Mimura, Betty Dominguez, Terri Derrickson, Felicia Mautz, Sue Steinkamp, Sheri Dellinger, Tanya Markham, Judie Watson, Colleen Kevany**. Sixth row: Senior coaches **Alan Zafran, Pat Such, Ralph Ramirez, Karl Hirsch, Rob Boldt, Barry Kikuno, Mike Villasenor, Rob Roberts, Kurt Brown, Marshall Ozawa**.



1. One student tries to persuade another to dance with her date. 2. Waiting patiently for their picture to be taken, **Brian Gerber** and **Theresa Warner** show their gorgeous smiles. 3. Excitement is seen in **Debbie Graham's** face as she marries **Trent Trapp** at the mock marriage ceremony. 4. Wearing matching outfits, **Eric Manley** and **Susan Reasor** ready themselves for their picture.



Hicks Unite in Matrimony

If someone hadn't known better, he might have thought that Torrance High School was made up entirely of country hicks. However, on that cold December night, couples had dressed in their hick attire especially for the annual Sadie Hawkins Dance. On Saturday, December 12, couples danced to the music of **Bedrock** and **Selections**.

Highlighting the evening's activities was the traditional "hitching" ceremony, in which couples were given the opportunity to get married. The mock marriage ceremony was conducted by Cindy Allen and Bobbi Pavis, who served as preachers. As couples walked under the wedding arch decorated with paper wedding bells, the sound of the wedding march could be heard playing continually in the background. The guy wearing a black top hat and the gal a white veil were then brought before the preacher

"My experience as a preacher is something that I will never forget."

- Cindy Allen

and were quickly married, leaving with marriage license in hand.

However, there was a lot of preparation to be done before the dance could be held. Claudia Bonilla, Junior Class President, explained that a photographer and a band had to be hired, as well as making couple cards and decorating the gym. Bonilla added that since so many people got their tickets at the last minute, she had to make 150 chicken couple cards in one night. But after the dance was over, the Junior Class, who sponsored the dance, had made nearly \$1700 from the 260 couples who attended the dance. Claudia Bonilla commented, "I have heard a lot of comments that it was the best dance we have had; we (the council) were glad to have the opportunity to do it."

1. Randy Lynn and his date share a quiet moment together on the gym dance floor. **2.** Standing before the preacher, **David Lewis** and **Trudy Rice** wait to be hitched.



Splashy Spirit Provides For Profit

Water pistols, wet sponges, and Rubik's Cubes highlighted the Third Annual Spirit Spectacular. The event took place during an extended lunch February 18. Spirit Spectacular was an Inter-Club Council sponsored event held to encourage spirit, unify students, and give clubs a chance to raise money.

Spirited Tartars took part in events such as the Freshmen Class Council's sponge toss, the Latin Club's squirt gun duels, the Sophomore Class Council's jail, and Student Congress's See's candy ring toss.

Two of the more popular events were the Rubik's Cube contest, sponsored by the Pep Club, and the balloon toss, sponsored by the Tartar Knights. The winners of the Rubik's Cube contest were first place, Kirk Copeland, second place, Randy Maruyama and third place, Kevin Nulbe. Brian Gerber and John Goldsworthy won the splashy

"It brings the students together and a bit more involved." -Linda Barker

balloon toss while Dr. Klonecky and Mr. Ragsdale came in as runners up.

Students "pigged out" on food sold by other organizations. Sell-out favorites included bagels, pickles, and carmel apples sold by the Tartar Ladies, Drill Team, and the Band respectively, while Service League held a Sweetheart Sweet Shop.

Students also supported clubs by purchasing the Senior Class Council's Tartar Garters and the International Students Club's THS stickers.

Spirit Spectacular turned out to be a success, even though attendance was lower than in the past due to an open rather than a closed campus. Spirit Spectacular participant, Kathy Kojima replied, "Even though attendance was down, the people who did participate had a lot of fun." Most clubs, which in previous years lost money, came out ahead.

1. Students participate in the wet and wild balloon toss.
2. Enjoying Spirit Spectacular **Seungkook Oh, Dr. Klonecky** and **Mr. Ragsdale** wait for their partners to toss them their balloons.





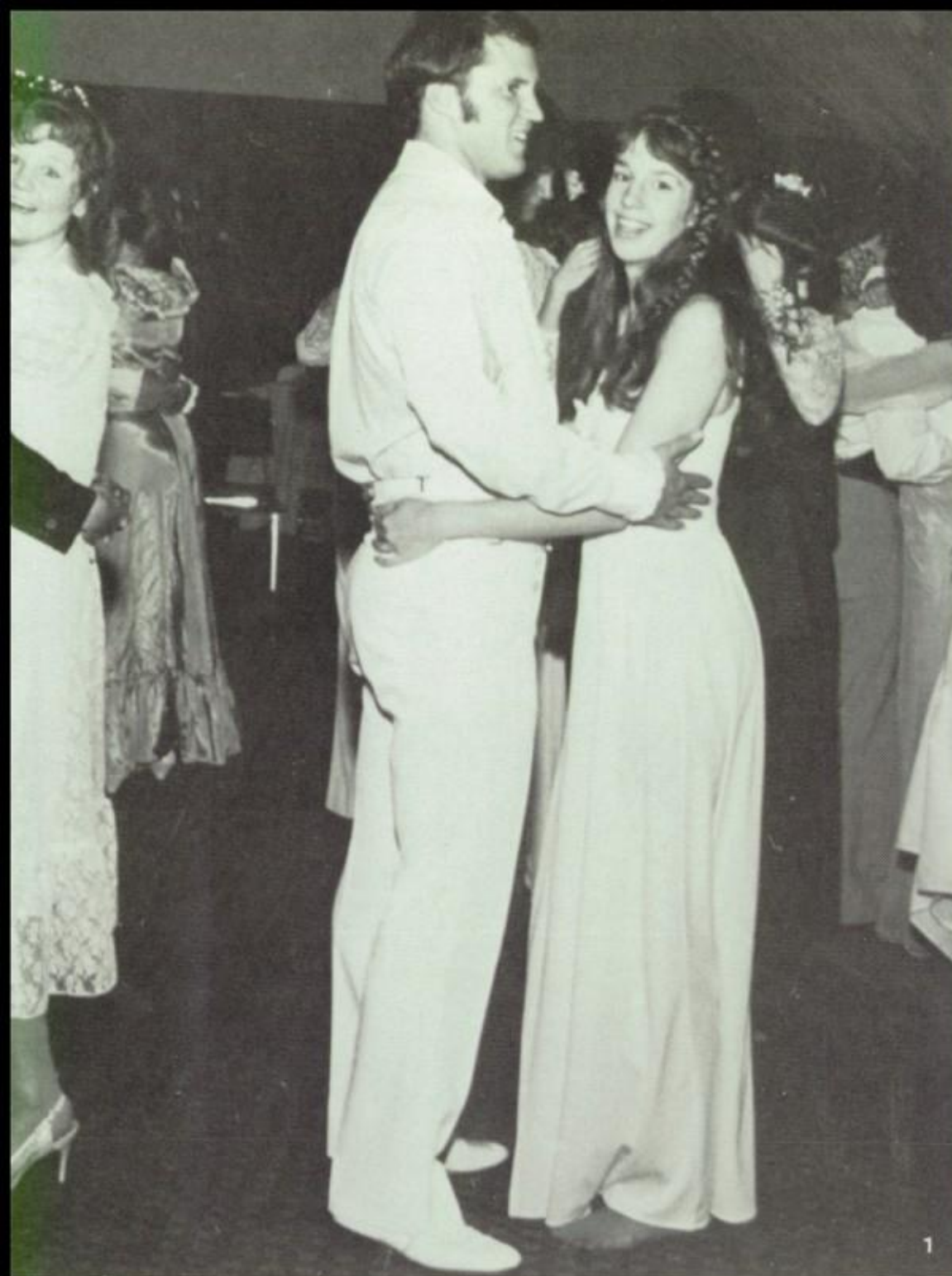
1. Tall Flag members **Karen Byrne** and **Kristi Lovelady** sell cold drinks to thirsty Tartars. 2. **Nina Marcoux** and **Marshall Ozawa** show their dedication to promoting school spirit by being volunteers in the sponge throw. 3. **Erik McBeth** acts ashamed after being thrown in the Sophomore Class jail. 4. **Greg Fong** challenges Tartars to play Student Congress's ring toss.



1. Sweetheart's Princesses: Freshman **Mi-K Kim**, Sophomore **Cindy Powell**, Junior **Lisa Reno**, Senior **Robyn Powell**. 2. Looking a bit nervous, **Jennifer Carlson** and **Jackie**

Hendricks sing the Sweetheart's theme song, "Open Arms." 3. Freshman Princess **Mi-K Kim** smiles shyly as she is crowned by **Mr. O'Brien**.





Sweetheart's: An Evening Of Elegance

Girls dressed in lace and taffeta evening gowns and guys looking handsome in rented tuxedos gave the Long Beach Convention Center an atmosphere of elegant romance. As couples strolled in gracefully, they admired the red and white balloons and streamers lining the stairway. The couples were greeted with a cheerful smile as they signed the guestbook and with shouts from friends who invited them to sit at their tables.

Many danced to the band, **Modern World**, although the dance floor was crowded. "You can't even breathe out there," commented Mike Takahashi. Then at 10 p.m. Jennifer Carlson and Jackie Hendricks sang the theme song, **Journey's** "Open Arms," after which Mr. O'Brien crowned the

"I found the work that went into Sweetheart's rewarding when I saw everyone having a good time."

-Cathy Nishimuta



four princesses, chosen by each class for their service to the school. Mi-K Kim, Cindy Powell, Lisa Reno and Robyn Powell smiled gracefully as they received their honors.

Sweetheart's Ball was an elegant dance, an enchanted occasion. But a lot of work went into making it successful. The search for the location and the choosing of a band and a theme were only some of the worries that Service League President Robyn Powell and Tartar Lady Queen Cathy Nishimuta had to contend with. Robyn Powell had the double responsibility of being a princess and being in charge of organizing the dance. "It was hectic," said Robyn, "but it was nice to be honored for something I was working for."

1. Kim Dausner and her date, and **Karen Byrne** and **Danny Sprague** find dancing an experience to smile about. **2.** Members of Service League greet couples as they sign in at the guestbook and search for their heart-shaped couple cards.

Comedy Portrays Nonconformist

"It's a symbol of the struggle to be an individual when all the odds are against achieving it," so said Mr. Charles Slater, the director of the Spring play. **A Thousand Clowns**, a comedy written by Herb Gardener, was performed in the Little Theatre from March 31 to April 3.

The main character is Murray Burns (John Gomez), a rugged individualist who never wants to grow up and become a slave to money and work. The Child Welfare Bureau, however, thinks he is an unfit guardian for his 12-year-old nephew, Nick (Mark Prow), because he is unemployed.

The Bureau sends two social case workers to Murray's unkempt apartment to investigate Nick's home environment and to talk to Murray. Murray's carefree attitude annoys Albert Amundson (Erik McBeth), one of the social workers, but amuses Dr. Sandra Markowitz (Marcela Arancibia), who falls in love with Murray. Because Sandra supports

"This show is funny . . . it's hilarious, anyone who doesn't come to see it is crazy." - Dana Marsh

Murray and disagrees with Albert, she loses her job and decides to move in with Murray to help him think of a way to keep Nick. They decide that Murray should get a job before the appeal hearing at which it will be decided whether Nick can stay with Murray. Murray.

However, the conclusion of the play, when Murray, Sandra and Nick playfully march to the "Stars and Stripes Forever," leaves the audience with the feeling that, although hidden under the veneer of a new suit and tie, a steady job and conformity, Murray will never lose his real self, the hidden child.

All of the actors agreed that the hard work involved in doing the play was worth it. "We had a great cast," commented Dana Marsh. "We actors owe a lot to Mr. Slater," added Marcela Arancibia. "He dedicated more time to the production than anyone."

1. Murray (John Gomez) accuses a righteously indignant Albert (Erik McBeth) of having improper thoughts. 2. Murray and Nick (Mark Prow) serenade Sandra (Marcela Arancibia) with their version of "That's My Baby."

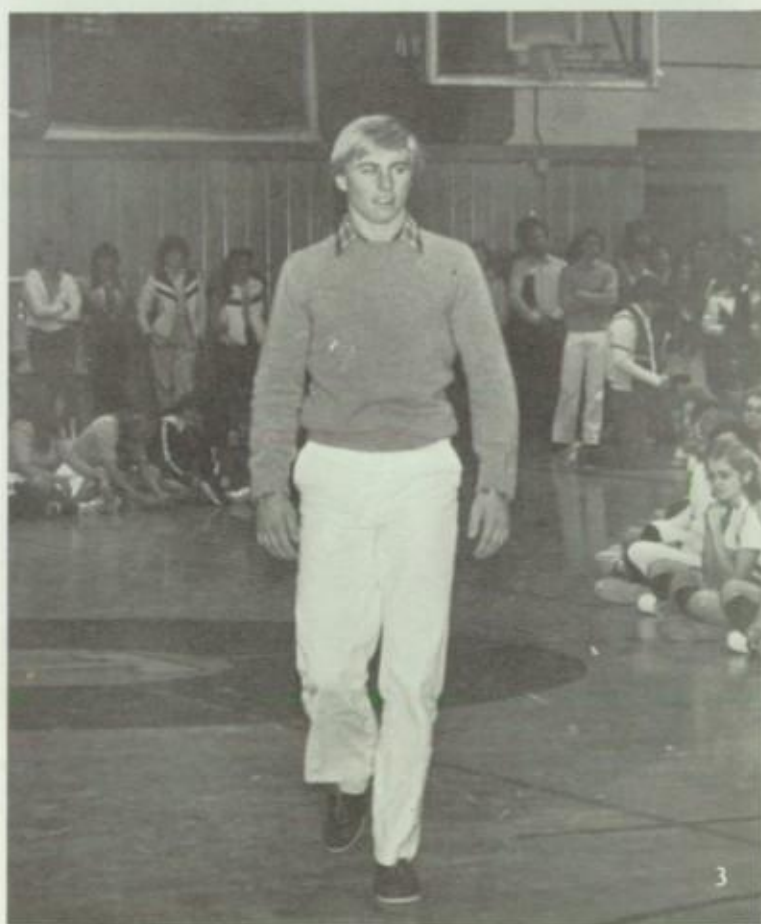


1. Cast and crew of *A Thousand Clowns*. Front row: **Tom Young, Carole Johnson, Steve Musil**. Second row: **Mark Prow, Marcela Arancibia, John Gomez**. Third row: **Dana Marsh, Erik McBeth, Sandy Morgan, Mr. Charles Slater**.

2. While trying to impress Nick, Leo Herman (**Dana Marsh**) "flops" miserably. 3. Ann (**Sandy Morgan**) argues with her brother exasperatedly.



1. Senior Class sponsor, **Mrs. Wright**, pins a Prom Court flower on **Marshall Ozawa** as **Barry Kikuno** looks on. 2. **Stacy Ryono** congratulates **Terri Derrickson** as **Wendy Rupnik** and **Dana Harris** wait their turn. 3. First announced prince, **Ronnie Anderson**, casually struts down the funnel before receiving his flower. 4. Prom Court: **Bobbi Pavis**, **Barry Kikuno**, **Terri Derrickson**, **Ronnie Anderson**, **Robyn Powell**, **Alan Zafran**, **Kim Ruffell**, **Mike Manuel**, **Kathy Gelvert**, **Marshall Ozawa**.



Present And Past Tartars: Worlds Apart

Torrance High School today is considerably different than when it first opened its doors in fall 1913. Not only is the physical layout of the school different, but the activities that students partake in also differ. In 1918, with the outbreak of World War I just one year before, students spent their leisure time working for the war effort. Such activities included helping the Red Cross and aiding in Thrift and War Stamps. Conversely, teenagers now spend their free time cruising the strand, going to see movies, and throwing parties. The year 1918 was also the year of the first commencement, in which the graduating class numbered two, Elizabeth Byrnes and Marguerite Paour, compared to this year's graduating class of

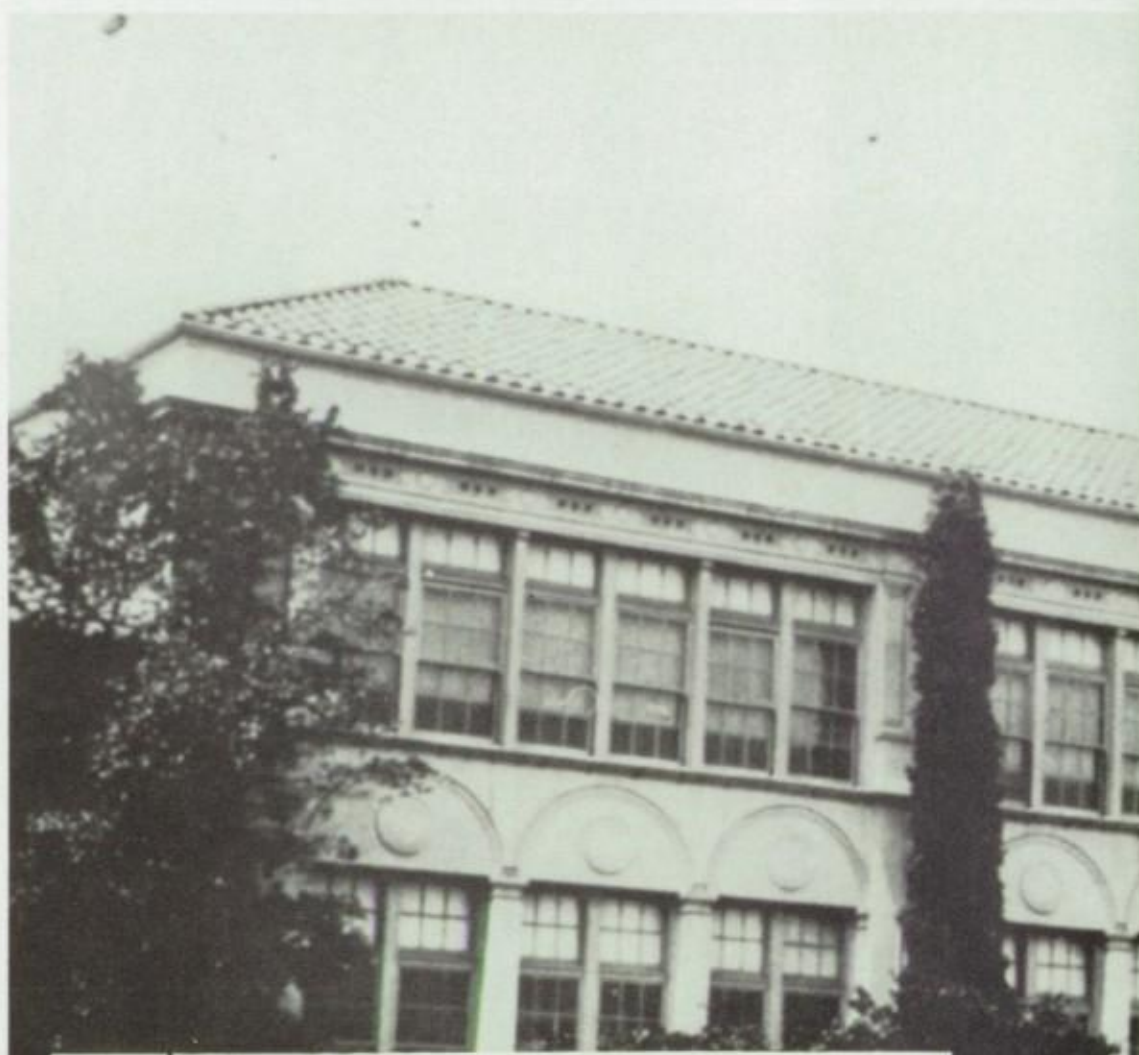
"High School years are unlike any others of our lives. Today students walk the halls and pathways walked by others for over 70 years. In a way that's like reaching out to touch the past." **-Jim Armstrong**

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Through the years, traditions have developed, but none is remembered more than the one connected with the sunken gardens. On the site of the present administration building once stood the original auditorium destroyed by an earthquake on March 10, 1933. In its place, a garden was constructed and thus, a tradition of walking around the garden arose out of the respect for the events connected with the original auditorium.

Torrance High School has changed in many ways throughout the years. Mayor Jim Armstrong who has taught at Torrance High since 1959 summed up THS the best, "We have a beautiful campus. The magnificent trees, the tradition and history represented by the old main building enrich our lives."

1. Marguerite Paour is one of the two first graduates of the Class of 1918. **2.** The 1933 earthquake caused structural weakening to the main building, which stands here prior to that time. **3.** The original boys' gymnasium, built in 1927, stood on the site of the present library. It later served as the girls' gymnasium before being torn down.



Memories Captured Under The Stars

The black tie, the rose corsage and the limousine payments were all part of the memories of Senior Prom. Of all Torrance High formals, Senior Prom has always been the most elite. It was the dance where Seniors could celebrate while enjoying their Senior year at Torrance High.

The Prom Court was announced at a Pep Rally on March 18. Mayor Jim Armstrong and Jackie Stanton had the honor of announcing the court. The court consisted of a total of ten seniors: four princes; Ronnie Anderson, Marshall Ozawa, Barry Kikuno and Mike Manuel, four princesses; Bobbi Pavis, Terri Derrickson, Kim Ruffell and Kathy Gefvert, and King and Queen Alan Zafran and Robyn Powell. After the court was announced, Jackie Stanton replied, "The Class of '82 chose deserving Prom Court members. Each one contributed a great deal to his/her class and to THS. It's always fun to be

"Of the times I've been on court, I've enjoyed prom the best, mostly because of it's members." - Robyn Powell

involved in recognizing excellence."

The dance took place from 7 p.m. to midnight on May 15 at the California Plaza, an open courtyard, which was decorated in the class colors, light blue and silver. Prom bids included parking, dinner and a full night of dancing to the band **Little Rock**, which featured the theme song "Through the Years," by Kenny Rogers. Senior Class President Alan Zafran complimented his fellow council members on their great job of planning prom by replying, "Dedication and commitment by all of the members of Senior Class Council helped to make the prom a truly memorable event."

All members of the Prom Court were both honored and surprised to be chosen. Mike Manuel and Kim Ruffell expressed their happiness by replying, "It was great that we were both chosen to be on Prom Court. It'll make prom really special and memorable."

1. Prom Court King and Queen: **Alan Zafran** and **Robyn Powell**.



1. An airview was taken of Torrance High School in 1948. Note the football field at left which once occupied the site of the present science and industrial arts building. 2. The 1944 Varsity Football Team poses for a group picture on the old, on-campus football field. 3. Built in 1927, the original auditorium stood on the present site of the administration building. The auditorium was destroyed as a result of the 1933 earthquake and was replaced by the present auditorium in 1938.



Athletics "Draw" Crowds

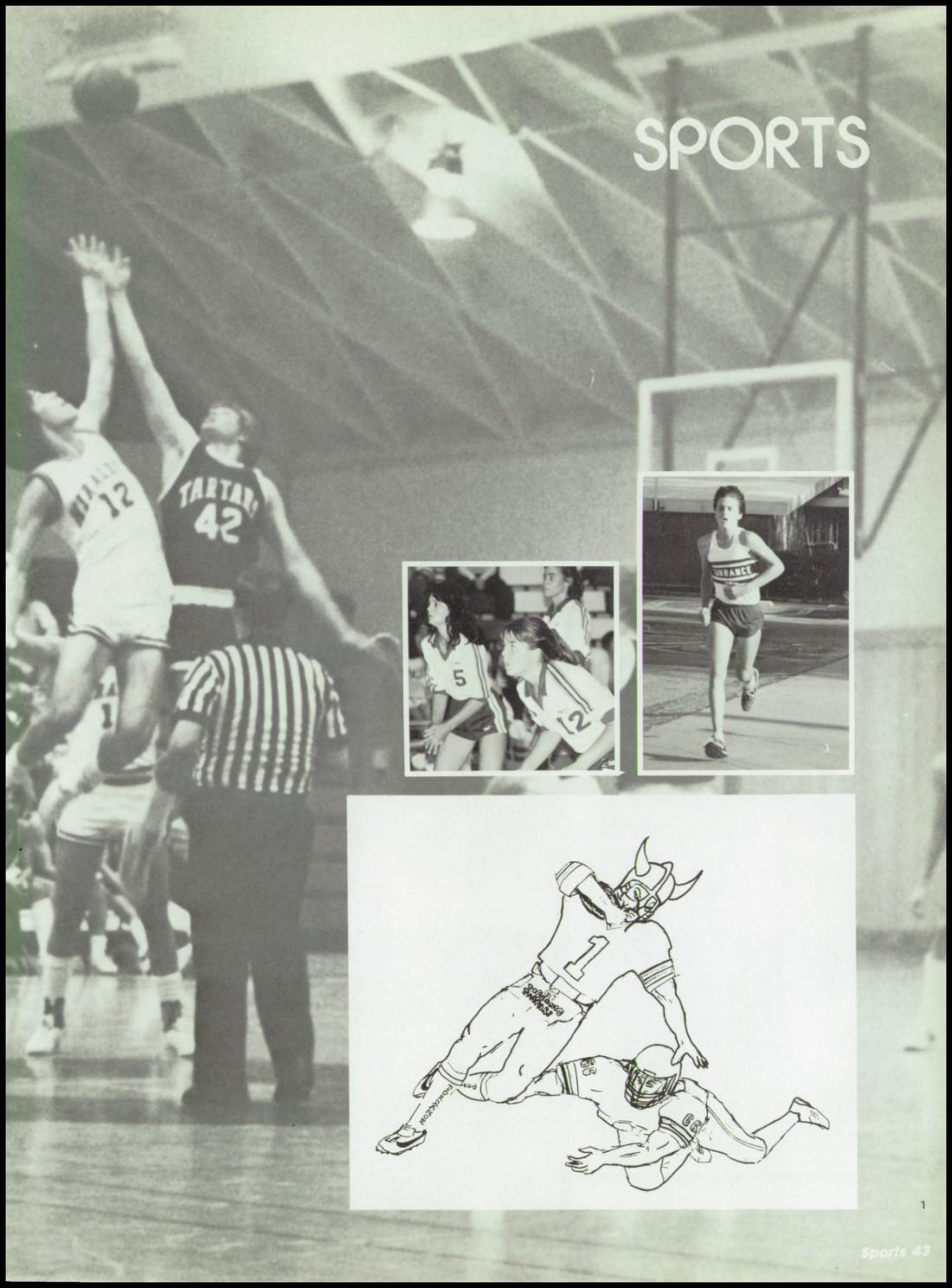
Athletics, especially football and basketball, are a traditional part of high school. However, Torrance High has achieved a balance in a variety of sports including track, baseball, soccer, wrestling, volleyball, gymnastics and golf. Both boys' and girls' athletic teams have gained recognition, and as a result their games or matches have become a gathering place for all students.

As an artist first begins to develop ideas for his work, he sketches, changes and corrects what he has done. Athletics play much the same role to the participants as does the physical drawing or sketching of a painting to an artist. Through this participation, the athletes gain the basic elements they will need in the future: spirit, team work and cooperation.

1. The Tartar varsity basketball team jumps their way to an impressive showing in the Torrance Christmas Tournament.
2. Girls' varsity volleyball players, **Lisa Doyen** and **Debbie Rutherford**, are ready for anything.
3. The freshman cross country team ran their way to an outstanding first place finish in the Bay League.



SPORTS



Varsity Shows Improvement

The "Family" Will Always Be Winners

The Varsity Football Team had a very successful season. Although they missed getting a C.I.F. playoff berth, the Tartars had one of the most successful seasons seen in the past few years. While playing some of the toughest teams around, six of which made it to the playoffs, the Tartars obtained an even 5-5 record overall, and ended up only half a game behind fourth place Palos Verdes.

The Tartars earned a 3-4 league record in the Bay League, one of the toughest leagues in the C.I.F. The Tartars started off the pre-season with two wins. A second-half surge in the first game pushed the Tartars past Hawthorne 14-0. A key fumble

caused by Fred Carlson and recovered by Jeff McElhaney set up the winning touchdown by David Alvarez in a 14-7 come-from-behind victory at Redondo. In the final pre-season game against Mayfair, a second-half comeback just fell short when time ran out with the Tartars only four yards from the end zone, resulting in their first loss, 28-21.

In the Bay League opener, Torrance earned a solid victory over Rolling Hills, 14-6. But the following week, the Tartars suffered their first loss of a four game losing streak, 21-3, in an emotional let-down to South. Against West nothing seemed to go right. After a bench clearing brawl, the game was ended in the third

1. Cornerback **Barry Kikuno** sticks a Rolling Hills receiver. 2. Runningback **Ralph Ramirez** escapes North High Defenders for a first down.



quarter with the Tartars behind 31-0.

The Tartars recovered and played well against Santa Monica in the hardest hitting game of the season. However, the Tartars were unable to stop the league co-champion Vikings and lost 25-14. The next week at Palos Verdes, the Tartars were unable to capitalize on the Sea Kings' mistakes and again lost by a score of 14-6.

After Frank Lewin returned the opening kick-off for a 97 yard touchdown, the Tartars were unstoppable against North in a 20-8 Homecoming victory. In the final game of the season, Torrance faced Centennial, the best defensive team in the Bay League. The Tartar

defense was the key to a 7-5 win.

The Tartars played exciting football, and according to head coach Lonnie Roberson, were good for their size. (Most players were under 200 pounds). Coach Roberson also added, "Considering competition of the league, I think we played up to and surpassed our goals of the season." Assisting Coach Roberson was Jim Drennen, Tracy Anderson, Sid Grant, and Randy Dickerson.

Despite a mid-season lapse, the defense was very effective, allowing an average of only 14.5 points per game. The special teams also did well.

Varsity

Torrance	Opponent	
14	Hawthorne	0
14	Redondo	7
21	Mayfair	28
14	Rolling Hills	6
3	South	21
0	West	31
14	Santa Monica	25
6	Palos Verdes	14
20	North	8
7	Centennial	5

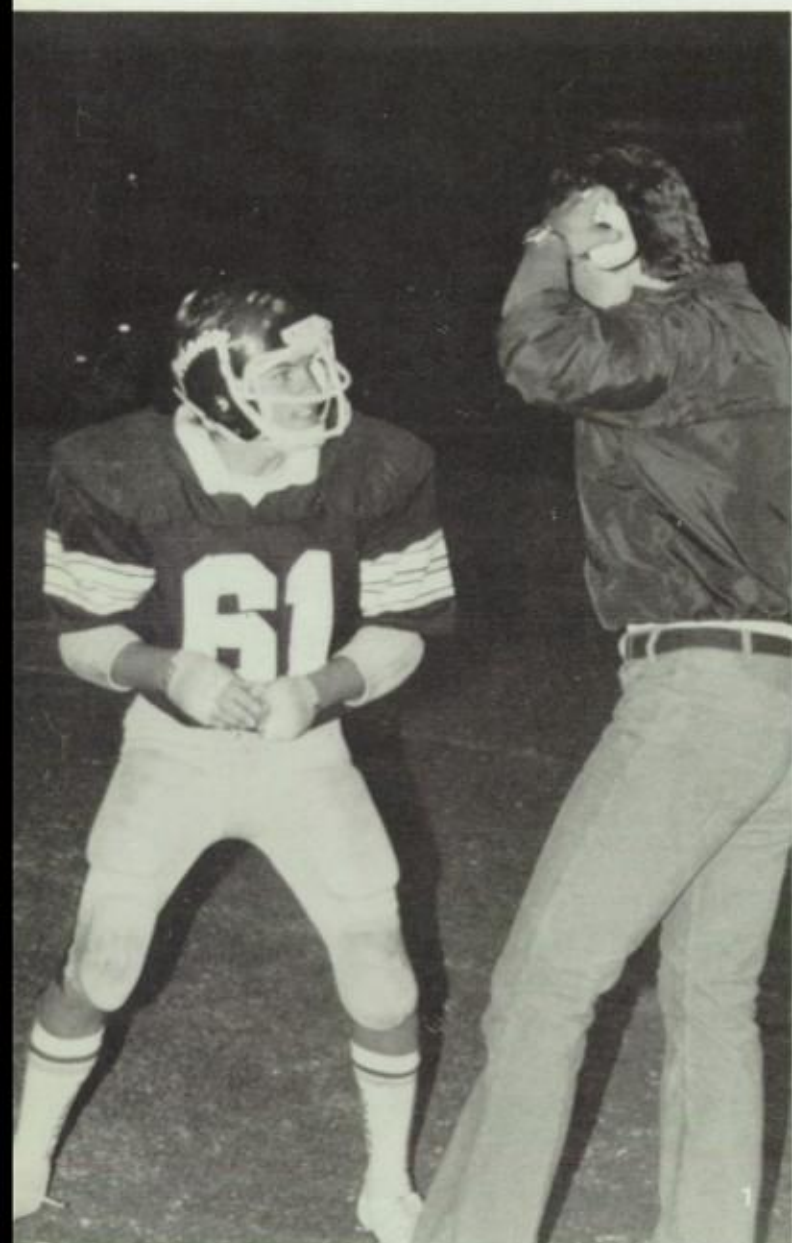


1. The "Family" celebrates after a Homecoming victory against North. 2. Quarterback **Tim Myerchin** listens attentively as **Coach Roberson** gives him instructions. 3. Following a good block by guard **Tim Perdew**, runningback **David Alvarez** attempts to pick up big yardage.

Some of the key players for Torrance were: captains Ralph Ramirez (running back) and Ronnie Anderson (split end); linebacker Karl Hirsch, who had 30 unassisted tackles; quarterback Tim Myerchin, who passed for almost 1000 yards; receivers Mike Villasenor and Curt Brown, who both averaged nearly 12 yards per catch; David Alvarez, who replaced injured Ralph Ramirez for two games and scored four

touchdowns; and rover Rob Roberts, who was selected to the All-Bay League second team.

All of the football players and coaches were very close, which enabled the Tartars to overcome many obstacles, including injuries and a lack of depth. Improving over last year's disappointing 3-7 record, Coach Roberson concluded, "The players winning attitudes made the year a very successful one."



1. Anxious to get back into the action, linebacker **Karl Hirsch** listens to Coach **Dickerson**. 2. Quarterback **Tim Myerchin** releases a pass against Rolling Hills. 3. Wide receiver **Mike Villasenor** and rover **Rob Roberts** are in deep thought while warming up on the sidelines.



PLAYERS' REFLECTIONS ON THE 1981 SEASON:

RON ANDERSON—"The coaches were fantastic and we couldn't have had a better team. We are a family."

KARL HIRSCH—"I'll never forget the family or my 235 points on the defensive stat board."

MARSHALL OZAWA—"It was a blast! I will always remember this year. The paramedics and the ambulance ride to the hospital was an experience I'll never forget."

MIKE JONES—"Coach Roberson took four coaches and a bunch of unorganized football players and made us into a 'Family.'"

DAVID HATAKEYAMA—"The family

was the best and I hope this year was the start of good things to come."

BARRY KIKUNO—"We had a great season and I'll never forget the team. We had a great staff."

ROB ROBERTS—"This is the closest team I've ever been on. The coaches and players were close on and off the field."

RALPH RAMIREZ—"If it wasn't for so many injuries we would have went to the playoffs. I think that the coaching staff was excellent."

MIKE VILLASENOR—"If we would have eliminated the small mistakes we would have been in C.I.F. I'll always remember the family, we were all really close."



1. Varsity Football Team: Front Row: Statisticians: *Donna Drake, Tricia Henderson, Marci Koehn, Paige Leech.* Second Row: *Curt Brown, Gary Morris, Robert Hunter, Mike Begneaud, Jeff McElhaney, Kevin Lavezzarri, Glen Baker, Brian Sprague, Bob Strelch.* Third Row: *Brian Platisha, Pat Such, Fred Carlson, Robert Rodriguez, Tim Myerchin, Rob Roberts, David Alvarez, Mike Villaseenor, Sean Brennen, Tom Burt.* Fourth Row: *Brian Gerber, Tim Perdew, Marty Saucedo, Kevin Jean, Kirk Copeland, Mike Jones, Robby Boldt, Marshall Ozawa, Karl Hirsch, Frank Rizzo, Dave Hatakeyama.* Fifth Row: *Jay Bickley, Danny Rosas, Kevin Baddeley, Ronnie Anderson, Ralph Ramirez, Micah Irvine, Barry Kikuno, Dion Barela, Mike Romero.* Back Row: Coaches: *Tracy Anderson, Randy Dickerson, Lonnie Roberson, Sid Grant, Dennis Kikuno, Jim Drennen.* **2.** Running Back *Frank Lewin* is thinking touchdown after evading a North High defender.



Freshmen Win, Sophs Not So Fortunate

Frosh Team Posts 6-4 Grid Record

Disappointing was the term used to describe the Sophomore Football Team. Coached by Dave Bridi, Bobby Greer, and Mike Lawler, they had a disappointing 2-7-1 season. This was, according to Head Coach Dave Bridi, due to "a lack of offense." The team had many key people, but they just couldn't get the ball into the endzone.

In contrast to this, the defense was outstanding. They scored over 40% of the total points gained by the Tartars. Jae Chong, who gained more experience by playing on the varsity level, earned Most Valuable Offensive, Most Valuable Defensive, and Most Valuable Player awards, as well as Team Captain, and Hardest

Hitter. The main weakness of the team was no team work. Coach Bridi said, "Many players were very independent. They only wanted to go one way. This definitely hurt us." Another disappointment was during the final game against Centennial, when a fight broke out, and the game had to be stopped in the fourth quarter.

The Freshman Football Team, coached by Ron Marsh and assisted by Bob Grajeda and John Jackson, had an overall record of 6-4. The Tartars, led by quarterback Kevin Higgins, scored 144 points. Higgins completed 42 of 79 passes attempted, for a total of 947 yards

1. Sophomore Football Team. Front Row: **Ann Bridi, Scott Tuttle, Alan Matsumoto, Seichiro Kita, Ernie Carol, Robby Anderson, Greg Tiedeman, Robert Kujawski, Chris Vigil, Kari Henderson.** Second Row: **Jeff Weekly, George DeTor, Craig Burgner, John Hadley, Keith Marble, Gary Hunt, Eric Barszcz, Brian Hernadi, John Marin, Brett Noone,** Head Coach **Dave Bridi.** Third Row: **Jennifer Carlson, James Bolinas, Jae Chong, Lyle Shore, Danny Neary, Eric Suekawa, Jeff Linkous, Tom McManus, Daryl Tipton, Corey Moore, Artie DeLaTorre, Rolando Grebe, Jodene Carlson.** 2. Freshman running back **Ernie Villareal** breaks through the Redondo line for another Torrance first down.



Sophomore

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0	Centennial	16



and 14 touchdowns.

The Tartar defense also did an excellent job. The highlight of the season, according to Head Coach Ron Marsh, was when they shut out North High. In addition to this, they shut out Redondo and Mayfair. Also, in the Mayfair game, Higgins teamed up with Zolton Horvath for a 79-yard-touchdown pass on the opening play. The Mayfair game was also Kevin Higgins' best game, with him completing 15 of 23 passes for 174 yards. Coach Ron Marsh said that he "was proud of the way they came together, and they played very well."

Freshmen

Torrance	Opponent	
6	Hawthorne	25
35	Redondo	0
21	Mayfair	0
6	Rolling Hills	21
6	South	21
	West	
28	Culver City	6
9	Palos Verdes	14
13	North	0
20	La Canada	12

1. **Robert Kujawski** gets ready to pass against Mayfair. 2. **Dave Sabunas** makes an excellent pass reception against the Warriors of West High.



3. Freshman Football Team. Front Row: **Leroy Vigil, Brian Neal, Tim Coleman, Jeff Taylor, Thano Christ, Hector Gomez, Richard Sader, Jerry Stevenson, Steve Sangster, Robert Biendo.** Second Row: **Donald Judson, Lawrence Villa, Nick Arreskovitch, Mike Woo, Steve Musil, Marc Simons, Chris Pavis, Tim Kevany, Jim Wheatly, Lawrence Fujimoto.** Third Row: **Louie Ortiz, Rob Jones, Kevin Higgins, Ricky Kirkwood, Ty Bradford, Scott McLachlan, John Stathoulis, Ted Hunke, Rick Jones, Dave Burlfein, Kevin Townson, Antonio Gonzales.** Fourth Row: **Bobby Greer, Shawn Millar, John Shaw, John Wolf, Gilbert Martinez, Steve Pierce, Coach Bob Grajeda, Frank Marumoto, Ernie Villareal, Sam Del Palacio, Lee Needham, Manager Dennis Kikuno.**

Steve.
Even though
I didn't know
you too well this year, I think you are
a good friend. Keep up the
good Grades and have a great
Summer Robert.

Team Spirit Makes Cross Country Season A Success

Girls Team Almost Goes To CIF

The varsity boys team and both girls teams ran against tough competition this year in the Bay League. The season was particularly challenging for the girls, who had to run the full three-mile course instead of the customary two-mile one. All three teams ran awesome races against Centennial, where the average score was 15 to 50. Although the remaining dual-meet standings weren't as impressive, the majority of team members felt that the season was successful in many ways. Team captain and top varsity runner, Greg Fong best expressed the feelings of the entire team when



Girls Varsity*

Torrance	Opponent	
15	Centennial	50
42	Rolling Hills	17
36	South	21
44	West	18
15	Santa Monica	48
36	North	21
45	Palos Verdes	18

*low score wins

1. Running varsity, **Dan Trujillo** and **Gabe Almeida** struggle to climb the central hill of the Palos Verdes cross country course. 2. Boys Varsity Team. Front row: **Chris Smith, Jim Marshall, Bobby Pantinini**. Second row: **Scott**

Tracy, Gabriel Almieda, Dan Trujillo, Greg Fong. 3. Varsity runner, **Scott Tracy**, tries to keep his lead against South High runner, Steve Holland. 4. The Torrance High Cross Country Team casually awaits the starts of their races.

he said, "I feel that, as a whole, the team always gave their best effort. We had the satisfaction of knowing we did our very best. This year's team showed that Torrance High's image is changing." Fong was voted most valuable on the boys team.

Junior, Chris Smith, ran a close second for this award, often coming within seconds of Fong's time. When asked how he felt about the season, Smith answered, "With the experience gained by myself and the other returning runners this year, we should be very competitive in the Bay League next year."

Tandie Jarvis, a sophomore, had a

super season, setting a fast pace for her teammates at every meet. Jarvis was voted most valuable runner on the girls team. Team captain and four-year cross country veteran Robyn Powell's feeling's about the season were optimistic. "Many thing's made cross country an unforgettable experience for me: the nature of the sport, our coach, my teammates, and just because it's special. Although the results were not always comparable to my training, the rewards were." The varsity girls wound up their season in fourth place, missing CIF by just a few points.

Boys Varsity*

Torrance	Opponent	
15	Centennial	50
50	Rolling Hills	15
36	South	19
39	West	19
30	Santa Monica	26
32	North	23
50	Palos Verdes	15

*low score wins



Girls Junior Varsity*

Torrance	Opponent	
15	Centennial	50
50	Rolling Hills	15
25	South	30
18	West	37
15	Santa Monica	50
37	North	21
49	Palos Verdes	15

*low score wins

1. Girls Team. Front row: **Bonnie O'Neill, Lisa Takata, Tandie Jarvis, Dana Henderson, Karen Donahue, Patty Lobb.** Second row: **Lisa Jaramillo, Melissa Iyler, Karen Schooley, Robyn Powell, Michelle Guillory, Sheree Pyle, Metta Tanikawa.** 2. Top varsity runners, **Greg Fong** and **Chris Smith** hold an enormous lead over two South runners. 3. **MaryEllen Napier, Lisa Takata, Robyn Powell** and **Patty Lobb** pack in their race against South High.

J.V. Teams' Good Work Does Not Pay Off

Freshmen Take Bay League Title

The title of the Bay League Championship was greatly earned by the 1981 freshmen cross country team. Dedication and hard work from the beginning of summer workouts led to strong performances by each member of the team, including Chris McElwee, Glenn Licht, Mike Ruffell, Matt Bartelt, and Steve Peckum, who all finished in the top eight at Bay League Finals.

The team not only proved to be the best in the league, but also one of the toughest teams in California. At the Mount San Antonio Invitational, the most prestigious in the United States, the freshmen finished second, beaten only by a team from San

Francisco. They also took second at the Pacifica and Palos Verdes Invitionals.

The awards for Most Valuable, Most Improved, and Most Inspirational went to the freshman Bay League Champ, Chris McElwee, Glenn Licht, and Dean Trujillo respectively.

The sophomore team finished fourth in the Bay League with a record of 4-3. Strong performances by the sophomores, who constantly switched to varsity, gave them a fourth place finish at the P.V. Invitational and first at the Royal Invitational at Moor Park in the frosh/soph division.

Boys Junior Varsity*

Torrance	Opponent	
15	Centennial	50
50	Rolling Hills	15
31	South	26
25	West	30
23	Santa Monica	33
30	North	25
44	Palos Verdes	15

*low score wins



1. Sophomore Cross Country Team. Front Row: **Curt Rentro, Erik McBeth, Richard Lujan.**

Second Row: **David Moore, Paul Klintworth, Tim Conlon, David Bennett.** 2. Junior Varsity Cross Country Team. Front Row: **Peter Lujan, Tony Barraza, Pat Hughes, Duane Johnson.**

On Top: **Marc Allaria.** 3. The junior varsity boys team are ready to battle it out against South.



Award winners for Most Valuable, Most Improved, and Most Inspirational were, respectively, Paul Klintworth, David Moore, and Tim "Elmo" Conlon.

Although the junior varsity boys team excelled in the dual meets with a 3-4 record, they finished a disappointing last place at finals, putting them seventh in the Bay League. However, the team did win a third place trophy at the Royal Invitational. Award winners were: Most Valuable, Bobby Pantanini; Most Improved, Tony Barraza; and Most Inspirational, Duane Johnson.

Boys Freshmen*

Torrance	Opponent	
15	Centennial	50
23	Rolling Hills	32
17	South	44
15	West	48
15	Santa Monica	50
19	North	45
26	Palos Verdes	31

*low score wins

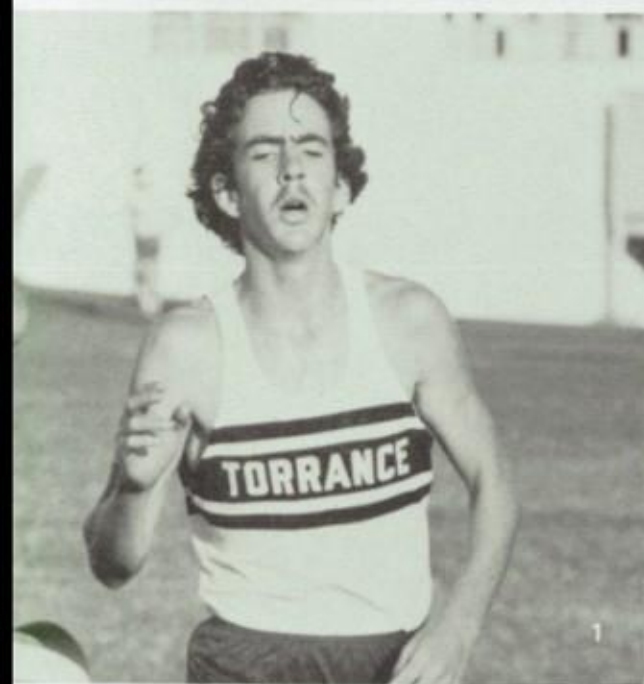
Boys Sophomore*

Torrance	Opponent	
15	Centennial	50
44	Rolling Hills	15
29	South	32
46	West	15
17	Santa Monica	46
22	North	33
42	Palos Verdes	17

*low score wins

1. **Chris McElwee** shows the pain a runner must go through to become the Freshman League Champ. 2. Freshman Cross Country Team. Front Row: **Brian Brown, Jerry Buss, Glenn Licht, Matt Fisher, Tim Grove, Matt Bartelt, David Lopez.** Second Row: **Lewis**

Bentivengo, Mike Ruffell, Bobby Dykes, Dean Trujillo, Steve Peckum, Chris McElwee, Armando Silva, Gary Silver. 3. **David Bennett** leads the other Torrance frosh/soph runners to victory over Santa Monica.



First Time CIF Entrance For Varsity

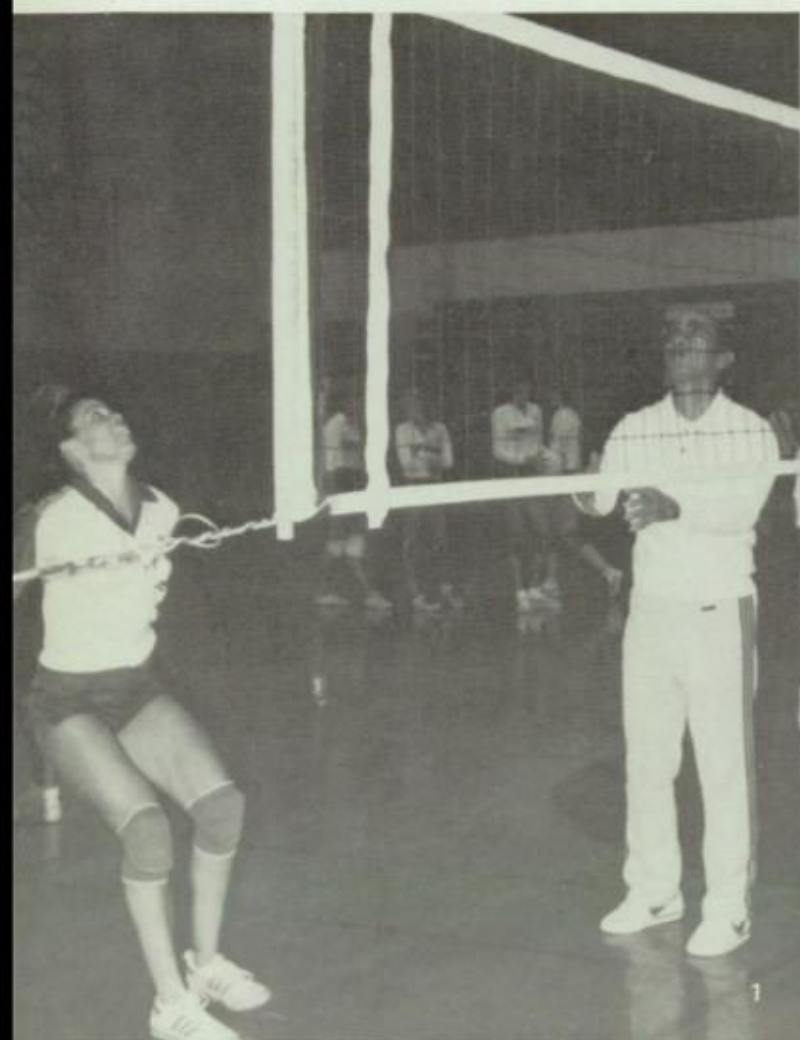
Girls Varsity Achieves Second Place Honors

Beating Palos Verdes sent the 1981-1982 varsity Volleyball team to CIF. The team finished with an impressive record of 10 wins and 4 losses. The team took second place honors in the Bay League and competed in one CIF match against St. Joseph's school. Although the team lost, they proved themselves to be competitive with a final score of 1-3.

Coach C. R. Ignacio considered the team's spiking, serving and overall offense as the team's strong points. However, he also commented that slow thinking and being under pressure were definite weaknesses.

"Although the girls are rather inexperienced, and considering the short amount of time they had together, I would like to commend them," Ignacio said.

A few of the season's highlights were when the team beat P.V., competing in the junior competition South Bay Volleyball Club tournament, and according to varsity player, Paige Leech, going to CIF for the first time. "When we played P.V. we had to prove we would work as a team, and also we had to beat them in order to go to CIF," Leech said.



1. Before the game, **Coach Ignacio** sets the ball for varsity player **Shaunna Koenig**. 2. Jumping high for the ball, **Monica Mora** successfully spikes the ball.



The persistent JV team, coached by Mary Sullivan, had a highly successful season, finishing the season with an overall record of 9 wins and 5 losses in league play. Players commented that they were excited about playing against the tougher teams such as Santa Monica and South, because it gave them an even better reason to work their hardest during practice. Consisting of thirteen players, the team had good hitting and serving skills. Coach Sullivan commented, "Next year these girls will be ready to take first."

Girls Varsity

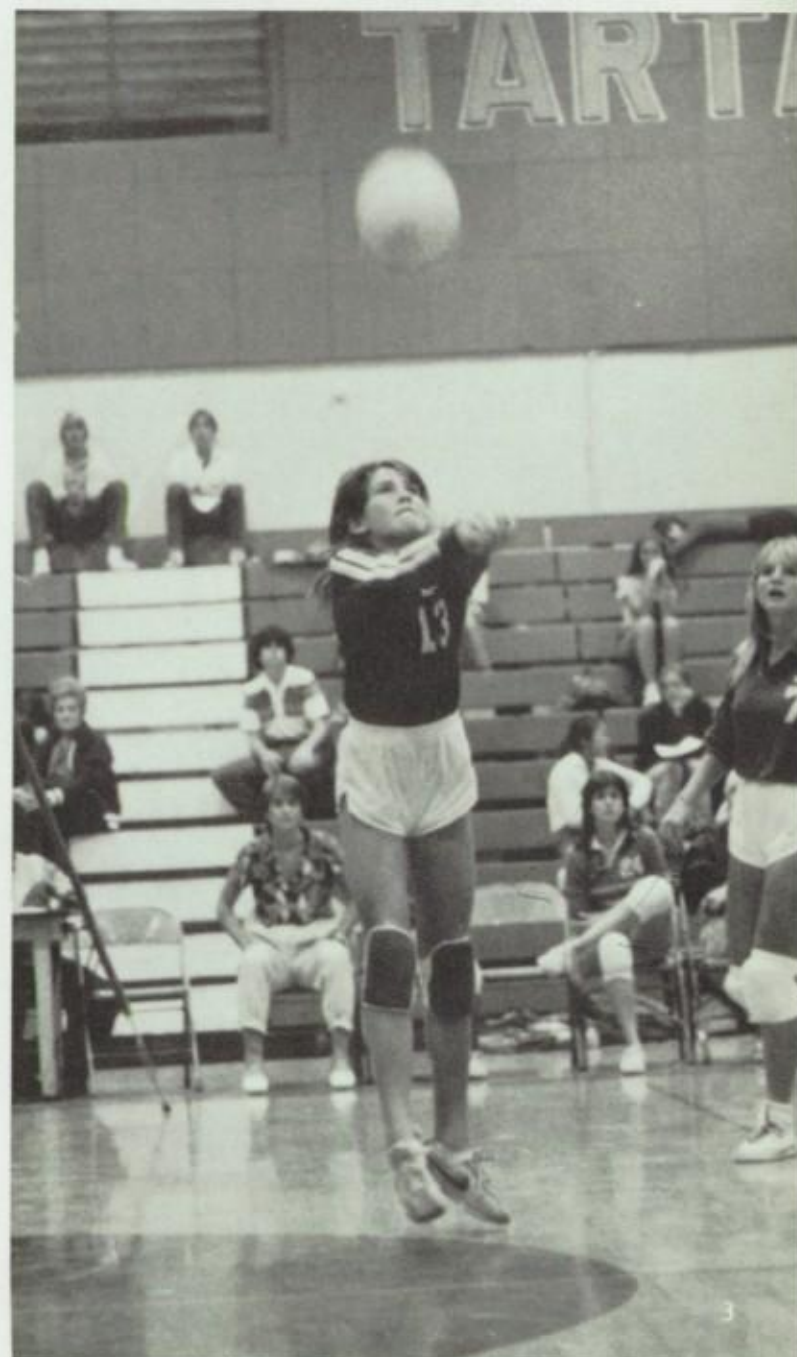
Torrance	Opponent	
2	Santa Monica	0
3	Rolling Hills	1
2	Palos Verdes	3
3	South	1
3	North	0
3	West	1
3	Centennial	0
0	Santa Monica	3
3	Rolling Hills	0
3	Palos Verdes	2
1	South	3
3	North	1
2	St. Joseph's	3

Girls Junior Varsity

Torrance	Opponent	
0	Santa Monica	2
2	Rolling Hills	0
2	South	1
2	North	0
0	West	2
2	Centennial	0
0	Santa Monica	2
2	Rolling Hills	0
0	Palos Verdes	2
2	South	1
0	North	2



1. Girls Varsity Volleyball team: Front Row: **Lisa Dischner, Monique Marcoux, Andre Payne, Norine Aoki, Debbie Rutherford.** Second Row: **Monica Mora, Shaunna Koenig, Donna Drake, Paige Leech, Corinne Russell.** 2. JV Volleyball team: Front Row: **Leslie Adams, Jamie Morgante, Nancy Smith, Nina Marcoux, Jollie Bollock.** 3. **Karen Kohmiller** successfully sets the ball for a spike.

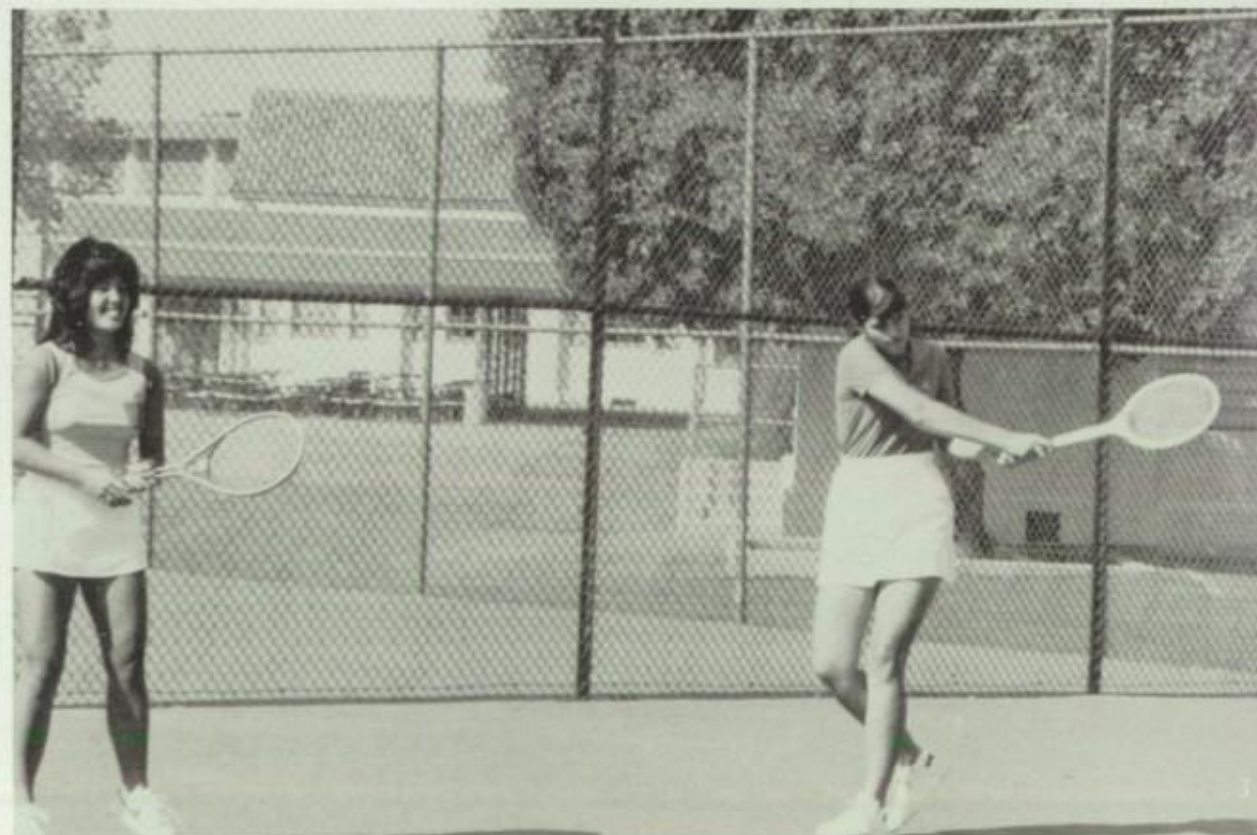


Girls Tennis Scores Disappoint Team

Two Players Sent To CIF

Beginning their workouts in early September, the girls tennis team looked hopefully towards their upcoming season. The team did exceptionally well in their six non-league practice matches, finishing with a record of five wins and one loss. But when the Bay League season began, the girls faced such tough opponents as South, Palos Verdes, and Santa Monica and found they lacked the experience and skill necessary to defeat these strong teams. The varsity team was also weakened by illness and lack of total commitment by some of the girls.

However, the season was highlighted by wins over West and



Girls Varsity

Torrance	Opponent	
9	West	9
18	Centennial	0
0	Santa Monica	18
4	Rolling Hills	14
1	Palos Verdes	17
1	South	17
10	North	8
10	West	8
18	Centennial	0
4	Santa Monica	14
2	Rolling Hills	16
1	Palos Verdes	17
1	South	17
11	North	7

1. Warming up her forehand, **Susan Johnson**, keeps her eye on the ball. 2. Junior Varsity Team: Back row: **Rhonda Meyers, Wendy Muranaka, Joyce Nishihara, Susan Foley, Gale Hashimoto, Wenshin Chang, Erin Basmajian, Lisa Prevost**. Front Row: **Kathy**

Kikuno, Karen Burlson, Jill Suzuki, Carol Maehara, Donna Burlson, Shelley Neece, Jill Kellogg, Gina Cantabene. 3. **Nari Rotter** hits a winning forehand during a crucial point as **Julie Tokashiki** looks on.

North, where both the doubles and singles players won their sets relatively easily. Commented coach Woody Griggs, "In an extremely tough league these girls should be proud of themselves. They played pretty well against excellent players."

Returning players Susan Johnson and Julie Tokashiki were honored by playing singles in CIF Individual Finals, where Tokashiki lost in the first round and Johnson in the second. The two then teamed with captain Cathy Nishimuta and varsity player Nari Rotter in well played doubles matches. Although both doubles teams were defeated in their first round matches, they all had a good

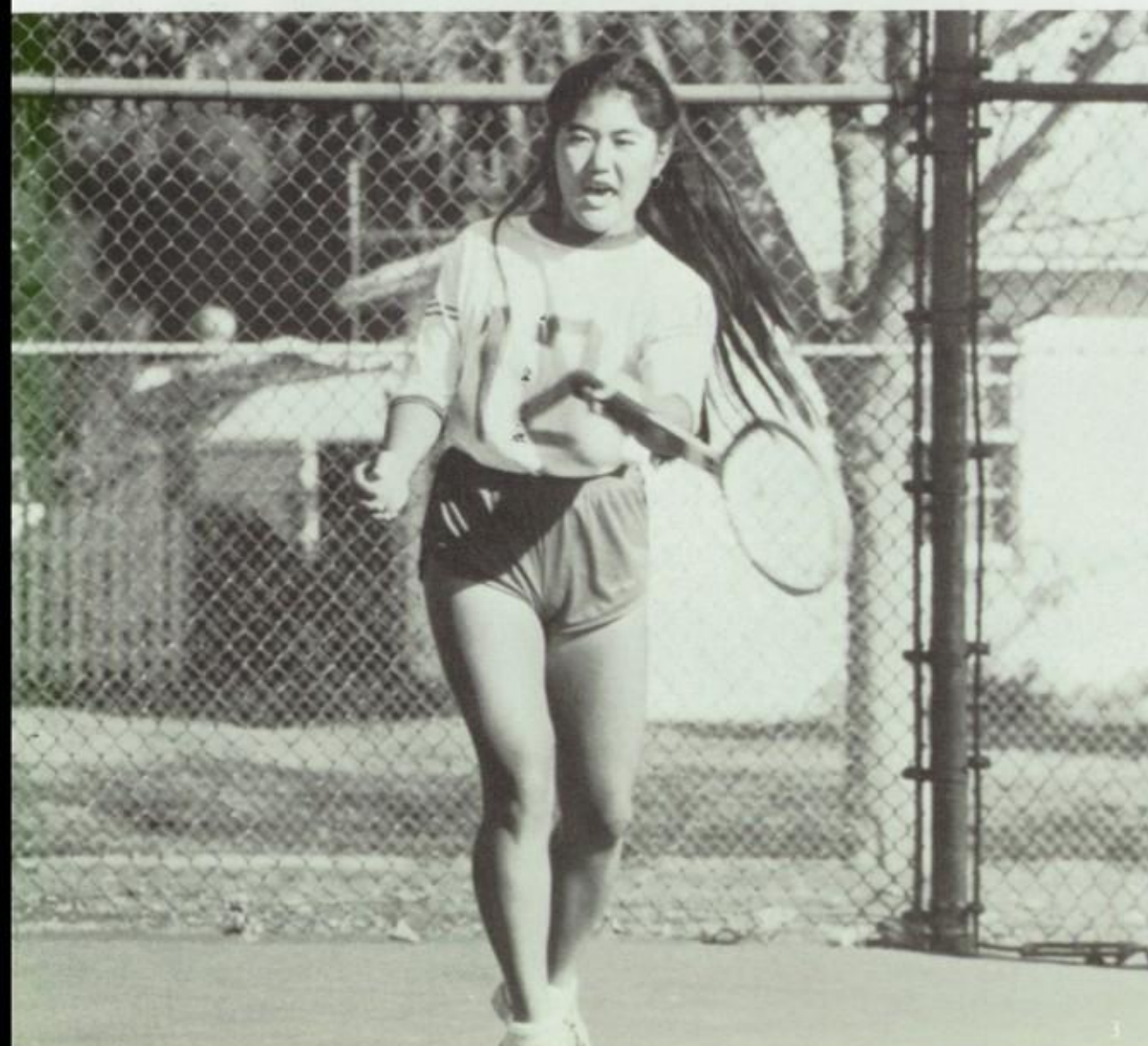
time.

The junior varsity team led by captain Vicki Doering also had a disappointing season with a record of six wins and eight losses. "As individuals we kept good strong attitudes about ourselves, even though we lost a lot," commented Doering.

Coach Griggs felt that the team would have fared better overall had they taken the practices more seriously and concentrated on improving their basic skills. "The improvement this year was incredible. Often girls would play entire sets without trying to steal second base," joked Griggs.

Girls Junior Varsity

Torrance	Opponent	
2	West	4
6	Centennial	0
1	Santa Monica	5
0	Rolling Hills	6
1	Palos Verdes	5
0	South	6
3	North	3
3	West	3
6	Centennial	0
1	Santa Monica	5
0	Rolling Hills	6
0	Palos Verdes	6
0	South	6
4	North	2



1. Varsity Tennis Team. Back row: **Donna Akahoshi, Denise Atsumi, Susan Johnson, Nari Rotter, Cathy Nishimuta, Kay Noma, Hilda Chan.** Front row: **Angela Chavez, Christine Irvine, Julie Tokashiki, Kathy Kojima, Annette Chavez.** 2. **Kay Noma** rushes to the net after making a great low forehand. 3. **Joyce Nishihira** concentrates on making an excellent shot.

Tartars Build Strong Reputation

**10 Wrestlers
go to CIF**

For the second straight year, the Varsity Wrestlers had a very successful season. Led by senior captains Jim Kim, Fred Carlson, and Ron Anderson, along with junior Dave Uyematsu, Torrance often defeated its opponents by embarrassing margins. On three occasions, the Tartars won by over 50 points. A 6-1 record proved to be good enough for a second place finish in the Bay League, and overall, Torrance was 19-5-1.

Head Coach Andy Harris owed much of his success to what he called "a real good group of seniors." Torrance used its well-



1. A proud **Fred Carlson** becomes elated after winning the league championship. **2.** At the league finals, **Ron Anderson** shows his opponent why he is the champion. **3.** **Coach Harris** discusses strategy with the soon-to-be champion, **Dan Simpson**, at the league finals.



seasoned wrestlers for a second consecutive championship at the El Camino Tourney. Torrance also earned a third place finish in both the Righetti and Cerritos tournaments. Mike Komoto, Jon Jackson, Dave Starr, Bob Greer, and Eric Paulson assisted Harris with his coaching duties.

As a team, the Tartars came within three points of a league championship. Torrance lost the decisive North meet on some controversial points scored by North in the last seconds of the final match.

Nevertheless, the Tartars proved to

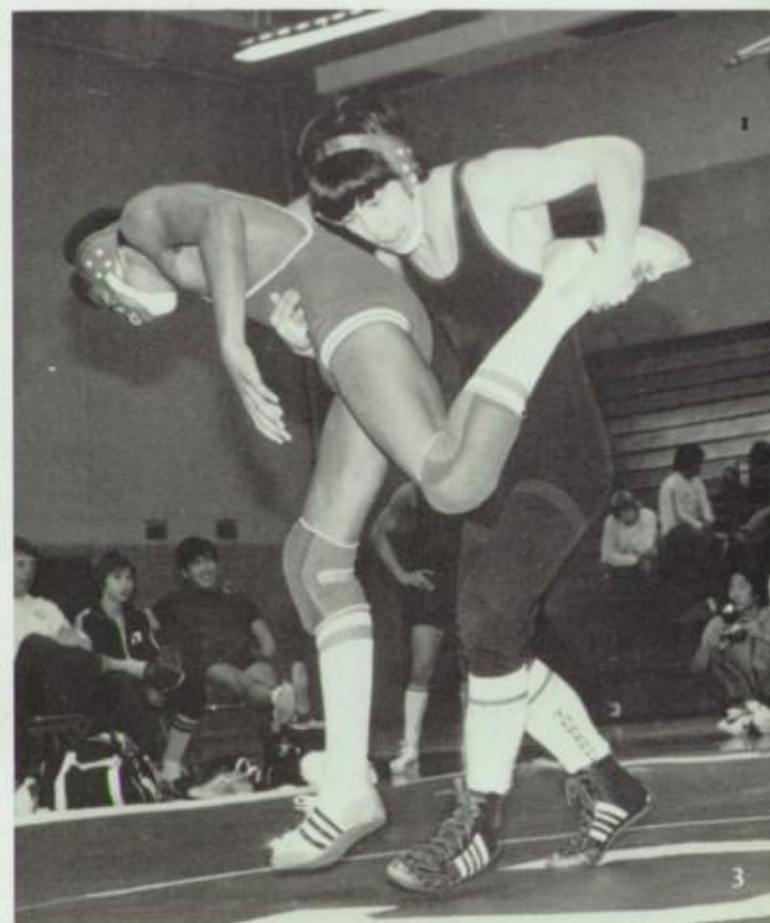
be the best by dominating the league finals, capturing five first place individual titles through Dave Uyematsu (108 lbs.), Ron Anderson (135 lbs.), Dan Simpson (140 lbs.), Fred Carlson (185 lbs.), and Jeff Bullock (202 lbs.). A total of ten Tartars qualified for the C.I.F. sectionals. Dave Uyematsu finished off the season by being the only Bay League wrestler to advance to the state finals.

Varsity

Torrance	Opponent	
60	Rolling Hills	6
45	South	19
44	West	22
46	Santa Monica	15
60	Palos Verdes	9
26	North	29
63	Centennial	9



1. Varsity Wrestling Team. Front row: **Robert Pagan, Mark Takahashi, Zackary Swanson, Danny Romero, Dave Uyematsu.** Second Row: **Ron Anderson, Dan Simpson, Dion Barela, Jim Kim, Gary Gargarinas.** Third row: **Danny Burgess, Joe Gima, Devin Holt, Jay Barrington, Fred Carlson, Tom McManus, Robert Garcia, Jeff Bullock.** 2. Showing his wrestling expertise, **Jim Kim** keeps his opponent in pain. 3. **Dave Uyematsu** sends his Centennial opponent to the mat.



Young Wrestlers Become League Champions

*All teams gain
experience for next
year*

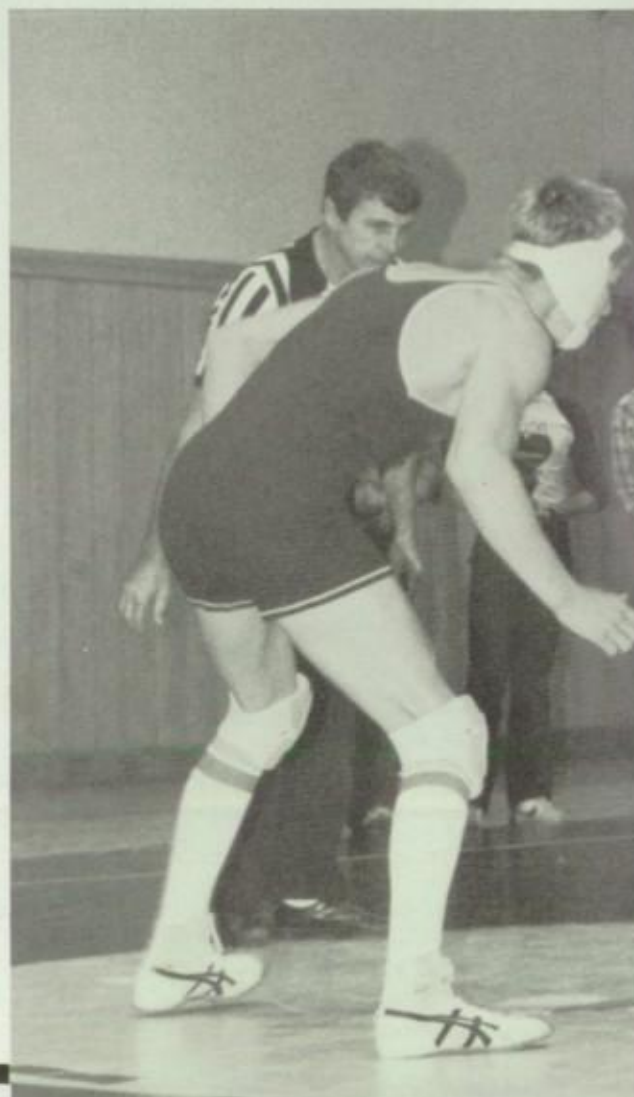
"Wrestling is one of the most physically demanding sports during high school, because one must keep his weight down and know what percentage of water weight he can lose without harming his strength, besides growing at the same time," commented Art Soto. Soto said that the biggest highlight of the season was "when all three teams placed first at the El Camino College Tournament of Champions, due to long practices and good coaching." The Junior Varsity Wrestling Team,

coached by Andy Harris, Mike Kamoto, and Bobby Greer, finished the season with an impressive record of 7-0 in Bay League competition and became league champs for the second consecutive year. Wrestler Tom Burt felt that, "The meet against North determined who would be champs of the league," he also said "Our gym was completely packed with fans yelling, and it really showed how school spirit should be all the time."



1. The referee calls three points as j.v. wrestler **Robert Pagan** pins an opponent in a reverse nelson position. 2. J.V. Wrestling Team. Front row: **A. Soto, R. Lara, J. Watkins, P. Bolde, L. Tateyama, M. Christenson**, Second row: **E.**

Suekawa, R. Hawk, R. J. Wedemeyer, C. Vigil, L. Judge, Third row: **Coach Greer, S. Kissling, J. Weekly, T. Burt, T. McMannis, R. Garcia, K. Marble, Coach Paulson, Coach Kamoto.**



After consistently beating their opponents, the Frosh/Soph Wrestling Team finished with an overall record of 6-0. The team consisted of many outstanding young wrestlers, such as Chuy Mungaro, Rich Wurzer, Len Tateyama, Jeff Siegal, and Adam Sacks, which made up for the fact that the team lacked any heavy weight wrestlers, which was a definite disadvantage. Freshman Paul Hartwell summed up the season by saying, "It was great taking Bay League."

Junior Varsity

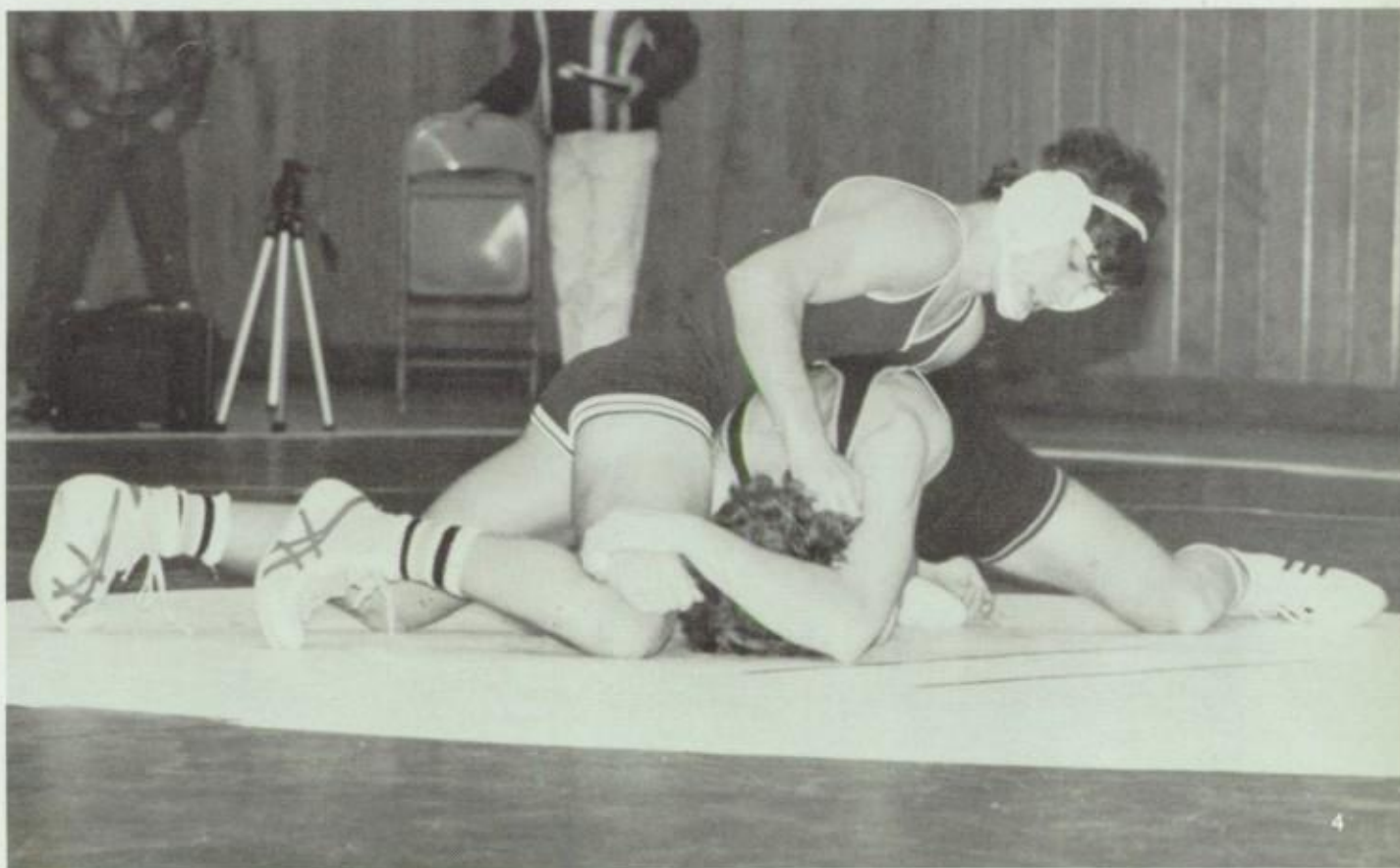
Torrance	Opponent	
78	Rolling Hills	0
78	South	0
42	West	16
63	Santa Monica	0
66	Palos Verdes	0
38	North	11

Frosh/Soph

Torrance	Opponent	
36	Rolling Hills	23
36	South	27
39	West	23
52	Palos Verdes	9
39	North	24

1. While in a "Dog Fight," **Leroy Vigil** manages to stay on top of his opponent. 2. After an escape, **Tom McMannis** and an opponent from West start again in a take down position. 3. Frosh/Soph Team. Front row: **G. Licht, L. Vigil, P. Moore, T. Kirkpatrick, R. Mossberg, D. Williams, A. Sacks**, Second

row: **B. Musil, T. Tran, Z. Horvath, E. Kissling, T. Baker, J. Siegal, T. Lofgren**, Third row: **Coach Greer, M. Tabata, M. Folland, R. Gerrick, B. Taylor, C. Mungaro, M. Mullins, P. Hartwell, B. Lerman, Coach Paulson, Coach Kamoto**. 4. **Jeff Siegal** gains three points as he pins his opponent into a sprawl position.



Season Falls Below Expectations

Team takes second in Torrance Tourney

The Boy's Varsity Basketball Team suffered a season that was far below their expected level. With Ron Armstrong returning from last year's varsity team, and with many players coming up from the j.v.'s, they appeared to have had a strong team set up. This was apparent as the Tartars entered the annual Torrance Christmas Classic. The Classic, hosted this year by Torrance, included the four Torrance teams, Mira Costa, Redondo, Miraleste, and Culver City. After beating Redondo and Miraleste in the opening games, they lost a heartbreaking final game to Mira Costa and had to settle for second place. However, both Ron

Armstrong and Todd Malecki were chosen for the All-Tournament Team.

As Torrance entered Bay League competition, many people were on an "emotional high". Senior Dave Gillen said, "We were really looking forward to our first game. After taking second place in our own tournament, many people were behind us. The fans were looking forward to a winning season."

Unfortunately, this was not the case. With weaknesses such as a lack of both size and experience, they lost their opening game against Rolling Hills.

They came back the next game against South, though, and with their

1. Varsity Boy's Basketball Team. Front Row: **Todd Malecki, Greg Spaan, Greg Wells, Tim Cooper, Paul Popp, Ron Armstrong, Dave Gillen.** Back Row: **Mark Yanai, Ron Omoto, Pete Chong, Dave Gilroy, Pete Lujan, Henry Pagkalinawan, Jon Kurosu.** 2. **Todd Malecki** puts one up in the face of a South defender. 3. **Coach Little** expresses his concern during half-time at the PV game.



record now at 1-1, everyone's feeling of a winning season was strengthened.

However, they lost their next two games, which brought them up against Palos Verdes.

PV eventually won their game in overtime, but Torrance put up a great fight. Torrance had an eight point lead towards the end of the game and it appeared they might win. But, the referees stepped in and called many fouls against Torrance, allowing PV to catch up and force the game into overtime. At the start of the overtime period, the referees again made some questionable calls, and PV, answering those calls at the

free-throw line, set up a three point lead, which proved to be the winning difference.

Ron Omoto, one of the co-captains, said, "The PV game was the turning point of the season. After we lost a game we should have won, the morale of the team went down." Other players also said, "It seemed like we just couldn't win. No matter how good we played, something always happened."

The PV game was obviously a let down to everybody. This was evident as the varsity lost their next seven games. The final game against North proved to be victorious for the Tartars. They ended

league play with a record of 3-11 and 6-16 overall.

The other co-captain, Ron Armstrong, summed up the season as "a lot of fun". He added, "We had a good season. Coach Little did a good job for the talent we had. We played hard and had a lot of fun. Winning is something extra, but as long as we did work as hard as we could have, and did have fun, well, that was the most important thing."



1. Tim Cooper grabs the rebound with authority against Mira Costa. **2. Ron Armstrong** impatiently waits for the ball against North High.



J.V. Works Hard But Has Poor Season Standings

*4th place a
disappointment*

Torrance's Junior Varsity Basketball team overcame a disappointing pre-season with an exciting winning streak. The few weeks of the mid-season proved to be exciting, as the team won five out of six games. Beating Santa Monica, the first place team was one of the season's highlights. Another tough victory for the Tartars was gained in the North High game where Torrance High triumphed with a score of 43-41.

Coach Tony Carter felt that the team would have fared better than their fourth place finish had they overcome some of their weaknesses earlier in the season. The team's

freethrows needed some work, as did their ability to take care of the lead and gain effective ball handling skills.

The team did well in the Rolling Hills tournament, but lost in the Consolation finals. The second tournament of the season was hosted by Morningside. The team did not play well in the tournament, and lost badly.

The West High Warriors were the Tartars toughest opponents. Torrance High lost both times they came up against the Warriors, with scores of 54-73 and 47-59.

David Petersen and Tony Liston,



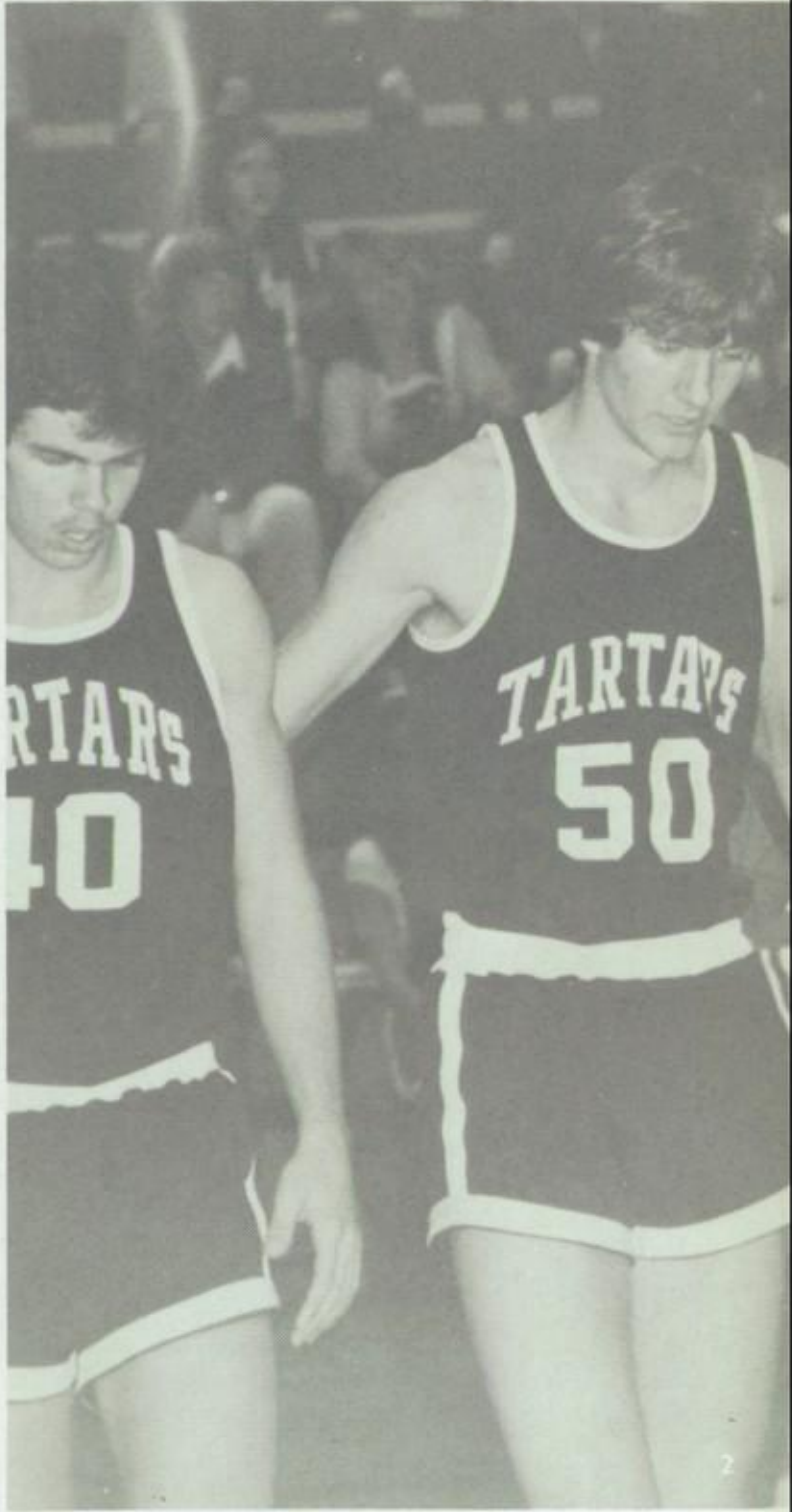
FOR THE DUNK
1. Rod Evans drives to the basket and lays-up the ball during practice. 2. Junior Varsity Basketball Team. Front row: Mike Dalis, Ryan Chenoweth, Rodney Evans, Chris Ewert, Paul Tashima. Second row: coach, Tony Carter, Don Chang, Jimmy Hendrix, Deung Kook Oh, Tony Liston, David Petersen, manager, Randy Albanese. 3. Tony Liston frantically leaps for the basketball during a close game against the South High Spartans.

the two team-captains, were felt to be the teams most outstanding players. Petersen consistently shot well on both the inside and outside court positions. Liston was especially good on the inside.

With virtually the entire team returning next year, the chances for a successful season are good. The team has high hopes of doing better than their fourth place overall finish when they play varsity next year.

Junior Varsity		
Torrance	Opponent	
57	Rolling Hills	62
54	South	57
54	West	73
54	Santa Monica	53
56	Palos Verdes	53
43	North	41
56	Centennial	58
51	Rolling Hills	38
54	South	42
47	West	59
55	Santa Monica	60
56	Palos Verdes	45
	Centennial (forfeited match)	
49	North	56

Varsity		
Torrance	Opponent	
41	Rolling Hills	78
52	South	48
54	West	64
65	Santa Monica	84
61	Palos Verdes	64
77	North	79
44	Centennial	82
43	Rolling Hills	56
42	South	47
42	West	55
40	Santa Monica	81
58	Palos Verdes	82
83	North	73
	Centennial (forfeited match)	



1. Varsity player, **Ron Armstrong**, tries to make a successful jumpshot in a close game against North High. 2. **Greg Spaan** consoles teammate, **Tim Cooper**, after a disappointing loss to Palos Verdes.

Basketball Bounces Up And Down

*Frosh have winning
season, Soph not so
Lucky*

Both the Freshman and Sophomore boys' basketball teams were excellent models of Torrance High's basketball tradition. The two coaches, Don Carlson and Rick Helton, were both THS alumni and, as a result, they were able to carry on the Tartar team spirit that they felt as players. Coach Carlson often told his freshman players, "That it is the team effort that wins games, not the individual player performance."

The Freshman team won the respect of the league by finishing their league play with a 10-4 record. This was the best record in THS basketball this year. The fourteen-

player team was probably one of the most well-rounded to come up to THS in recent years, with six players sharing the starting and team captain positions. Starting forward Scott Kawasaki felt that their "offensive rebounds and 'diamond and one defense'" were the team's strongest points. However, the other starting forward, David Christian, felt that their "press and turnovers" caused the team the most problems. Despite the fact that they had a phenomenal year, the players felt there were many areas they needed to improve in, in order to beat their toughest competition, Palos Verdes



Freshmen

Torrance	Opponent	
47	Rolling Hills	35
50	South	44
34	West	40
62	Santa Monica	51
46	Palos Verdes	47
51	North	48
37	Centennial	41
42	Rolling Hills	33
65	South	52
39	West	49
55	Santa Monica	73
48	Palos Verdes	55
59	North	55
Centennial forfeited		

1. Boys' Freshman Basketball Team. Front row: **Matt Bartelt, Eric Baranek, Chip Beeman, Eric Little, Danny Alvarez, David Sabunas, Steve Sangster.** Second row: **Wen Tien Chang, Randy Lynn, Sean Millar, David Christian, Helmut Stieble, Scott Kawasaki, Lawrence Fujimoto, Coach Don Carlson.** 2. Starting Freshman center, **Helmut Stieble**, puts a jump shot in to tie the game against West. 3. Number 15, forward **David Christian**, out jumps two defenders to sink his favorite baseline shot against West.



High. On one occasion, the freshmen beat the Sophomore team from Santa Monica. The freshmen received wins from both Santa Monica and Centennial, since neither school has Freshman teams. Kawasaki summed it up well by stating, "We had a lot of talent, but we didn't bring out the best of it. Next year we'll have to work harder."

The Sophomore team, however, was not as fortunate as the Freshman Team—finishing the league at 3-10. Despite their disappointing season, the team had a few individual players who showed a

great deal of potential. Among the starters, Brian Chafin and James Taylor were probably the most outstanding for their all-around ability. In addition, two freshman, Beau Palica and Ted Meyer, went up to the Sophomore team. Palica commented, "It was an honor to play on a higher level."

The team's strongest point was their defense, and, according to Palica, they would "have to improve the fast break" in order to gain ground on Rolling Hills, their toughest opponent.

Sophomore

Torrance	Opponent	
59	Rolling Hills	67
28	South	45
35	West	42
48	Santa Monica	60
39	Palos Verdes	46
57	North	49
49	Centennial	58
47	Rolling Hills	48
52	South	56
64	West	53
32	Santa Monica	65
43	Palos Verdes	63
63	North	61



1. Number 42, **James Taylor**, makes a lay up to boost the team to victory against West. 2. Freshman defenders, **Lawrence Fujimoto** and **Scott Kawasaki**, tower over the double teamed West High player. 3.

Boys' Sophomore Basketball Team. Front row: **Regina Talmo**, **James Taylor**, **Gary Lippert**, **Ted Meyer**, **Danny Lebus**, **Beau Palica**. Second row: **Chris Richards**, **Steve Sasaki**, **Keith Kato**, **Danny Neary**, **Brian Chafin**.

Future Looks Good For Girl's Soccer

JVs Dominate the South Bay

The Girl's Varsity Soccer Team had a very tough act to follow. The previous year they took second place in C.I.F., but seven players had graduated since then. Led by juniors Monique Marcoux, Patty Lobb, and Tracy Stevenson, and senior Stephanie Beedle, the team still managed to compile a 4-6-2 league record and a fifth place finish in the Bay League. Overall, the varsity was 6-8-2.

The team was hurt by the loss of their returning all-league, senior goalie, Colleen Kevany. A knee injury forced her to miss most of the season. Kevany and Stephanie Beedle were the team captains.

One of the seasonal highlights was defeating powerful Rolling Hills 2-1 in double overtime. The team also had an impressive 6-2 win over South.

Both the varsity and JV teams were co-coached by Bobbi Castille and Fran Maddock. Coach Maddock commented that one of the team's strongest points was, "having some outstanding players to hold the team together."

The Junior Varsity Team was the best in the South Bay. Positive attitudes, team work, and 100% effort resulted in a 7-2-1 league record for first place.

Showing no weaknesses, the JVs owed much of their success to the



1. Excellent kicking form is shown by **Monique Marcoux**. 2. Senior **Stephanie Beedle** uses her expertise to evade an opponent. 3. Girl's Junior Varsity Soccer Team. Front row: **Michelle Guillory, Missi Villasenor, Lori Trowbridge, Jill McNeal** Second row: **Michelle Oshima, Debbie Rutherford, Nina Marcoux, Nanci Smith, Melissa Sloan, Lisa Clark**. Third row: **Torrie Smith, Michelle Hall, Julie Claxton, Kristi Reinert, Toni Cefalone, Kari Henderson, Jayme Lorentz**.



performances of Jayme Lorentz, Debbie Rutherford, Julie Claxton, Michelle Oshima, and Captain Michelle Hall. One proud accomplishment of the JV was that they did not allow a single goal in 7 of their 10 games.

Having several varsity players return for next year, along with some excellent jvs coming up, made the girls soccer program look to be a dominant one in the seasons to come. Coach Maddock summed it up by commenting, "Torrance High School is very fortunate to have an up and coming team of this quality to represent them in the future!!"

Varsity

Torrance	Opponent
1	South
1	Rolling Hills
1	Palos Verdes
0	West
1	Santa Monica
4	North
6	South
2	Palos Verdes
2	Rolling Hills
2	West
2	Santa Monica
1	North

Junior Varsity

Torrance	Opponent
4	South
2	Rolling Hills
3	Palos Verdes
0	West
1	North
3	South
0	Rolling Hills
1	Palos Verdes
3	West
2	North



1. Girl's Varsity Soccer Team. Front row: **Beth Lunschen, Michelle Castille, Kathy Fitzgerald, Norine Aoki, Lisa Bradford, Beth Snodgrass, Kim Foley.** Back row: **Monique Marcoux, Stephanie Beedle, Patty Lobb, Kim Pike, Tracy Stevenson, Sheri Johnson, Lisa Santo, Colleen Kevany, Cathy Urwin.** **2.** Returning from an injury to play halfback, **Colleen Kevany** throws the ball in against North. **3.** **Norine Aoki** keeps the ball from going out of bounds against West.



Varsity Soccer Misses Their Goal

*Injuries plague 2 of 3
soccer teams*

The varsity, j.v., and freshman soccer teams finished their seasons with disappointing 1-13-3, 0-11-1, and 3-9-2, league records respectively. Besides competing in the tough Bay League, the soccer teams faced adjustments to new coaches Mike Maranelli, Rich Thorpe, and Mawen Assad.

The varsity team's strength lay in its defense and mid-field build-up. Outstanding players were defenders Mike Vaage and Jon Landerville, both fullbacks and Jim Steingrobe, a forward. Steingrobe made the all Bay League Team and was nominated for all CIF.

Injuries to key players early in the games plagued the team. For instance, Sammy Gerbasi was knocked down during the first play against West and was unable to play the rest of the game. Forward Gary Morris was out most of the season due to a injured knee. Morris commented, "Although we won only one game, we pulled together as a team and we all were very close."

"Although we didn't have a winning season, there wasn't a team in the league that had an easy game against us," said Coach Thorpe. The j.v. team's perseverance and tenacity, morale and spirit were



Freshman

Torrance	Opponent	
1	South	3
0	Rolling Hills	3
0	Palos Verdes	0
0	West	1
1	Santa Monica	0
0	Bishop Montgomery	0
4	North	0
0	South	5
1	Rolling Hills	3
0	Palos Verdes	1
0	West	1
1	Santa Monica	0
1	Bishop Montgomery	2
1	North	1

1. Under pressure by an opponent, **Claudio Teterycz** manages to keep his eye on the ball. 2. Freshman Soccer Team. Front row: **M. Kasterko, S. Burg, K. Shida, D. Markwell, W. Calderon** Second row: **G. Silver, J. Jamile, M. Samuels, B. Drew, G. Hill, R. Hernandez**, Third row: **J. Erickson, D. Smart, M. Hardy, D. Fulton, S. Peckumn, C. McElwee, O. Novoa, J. Liebenau, Coach Assad**. 3. After being injured, **Jon Landerville** is helped off the field by teammate **Sammy Gerbasi** and **Coach Maranelli**.



its strong points. Unfortunately, the team lacked experienced players and technical skills.

The freshman team's strong point was its defense. Sweeper Chris McElwee and goalie Shida Kazuhiro proved to be outstanding players. However, according to Coach Assad the teams downfall came because, "The players were too small when compared to other schools, and they lacked a scoring punch."

Varsity

Torrance	Opponent	
1	South	3
1	Rolling Hills	6
1	Palos Verdes	4
0	West	6
0	Santa Monica	1
1	North	0
1	South	3
2	Rolling Hills	3
0	Palos Verdes	1
0	West	5
3	Santa Monica	4
2	North	4

Junior Varsity

Torrance	Opponent	
0	South	5
0	Rolling Hills	1
0	Palos Verdes	1
0	Santa Monica	2
1	West	4
1	North	2
0	South	2
0	Rolling Hills	1
1	Palos Verdes	2
1	West	3
2	Santa Monica	2
0	North	2



1. **Jim Steingrobe** successfully heads the ball to **Chris Thom**. 2. Varsity Soccer Team. Front Row: **Chris Thom**. Second Row: **Alan Matsumoto, Gary Morris, Eric Malone, Robert Twist**. Third Row: **Claudio Teterycz, Mark Hall, Jon Landerville, Owen Griffith, Chris Jameson**. Fourth Row: **Mike Vaage, Bob Vaage, Sammy Gerbasi, David Alvarez, Joe Chong, Jim Steingrobe, Coach Maranelli**. 3. Fullback **Jon Landerville** passes the ball to the halfback. 4. Junior Varsity Team. Front Row: **Juan Hernandez, Gary Wooffer**. Second Row: **Ricky Kirkwood, Scott Tuttle, Ed Estrada, Jay Scarcella, Phillip DeLeo**. Third Row: **Coach Rich Thorpe, Jeff Valliere, David Bennett, Craig Burgner, Tommy Young, Ron Werner, Shaun Meggitt**.

Varsity "Hits" A Winning Season

*Team unity and attitude
contribute to success*

"Beating West in the league opener, started out the season on the right track. West was favored to beat us, and we showed that we were a better team," commented Matt Diagostine when asked about the baseball season. Diagostine also stated, "The most impressive thing about our team is the way we come back to win from behind. We did it against Inglewood, Norwalk, Banning, and West." Coached by John Radcliffe, Rick Grassinger, and Lance Bargar, the Varsity Baseball team had a strong season in the Bay League. The league supplied

Torrance with tough opponents such as South and West.

According to Radcliffe, "Outstanding players like Tim Myerchin, Matt Diagostine, Jon Landerville, and Rob Roberts should be commended not only for outstanding performances, but for keeping the team's spirits high. The consistent good hitting of Diagostine was an important asset for the team throughout the season. Base-stealing was another major factor.

Along with their speed and strong hitting, pitching was a big plus for the Varsity team.

1. As the ball is released from North's pitcher **Tim Myerchin** prepares to bat the ball out of the park. 2. After the sign was given from the catcher, **Mike Villasenor** is ready to release

the pitch. 3. **Teammates** congratulate **Tim Myerchin** after he hit a homerun against Santa Monica.

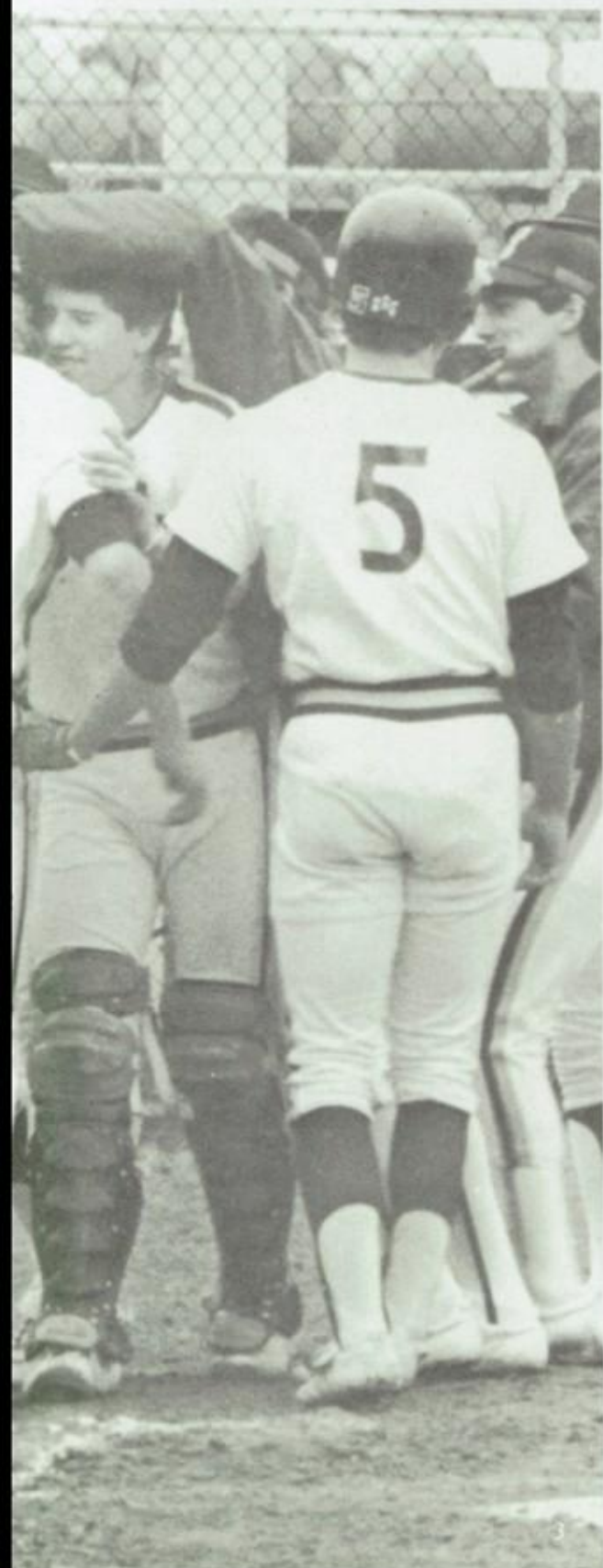


Returning letterman Tim Myerchin was among the Bay League's finest pitchers.

Undeniably, the Varsity Baseball team had a tough schedule ahead of them as they began the season but they also had a strong desire to win and were "relaxed", Diagostine commented, "If a team with as much talent as Torrance has, can keep relaxed and not put too much pressure on themselves, it's going to win. We have more talent than any of the other teams in the league, it's almost hard to take games with them seriously."

Varsity Baseball

Torrance	Opponent	
1	Rolling Hills	2
4	South	2
4	West	3
	Santa Monica	
6	Palos Verdes	0
	North	
3	Centennial	2
	Rolling Hills	match
7	South	9
	West	
	Santa Monica	
	Palos Verdes	
	North	
	Centennial	



1. Varsity Baseball team. Front row: **Rob Mattern, Daryll Mattern, Jack Kightlinger, Carey Pervls, Matt Diagostine, Sammy Gerbasl, Mike Villasenor, Kevin Higgins.** Second row: **Tim Cooper, Jon Landerville,**

Mike Wurzell, Tim Myerchin, Mike Venable, Kevin Tyler, Ken Kelso, Coach Radcliffe. 2. During the home game against Santa Monica, **Kevin Higgins** runs to first base.

JV And Frosh-Soph Baseball Teams Excel

Hitting and pitching determine post league position

The Junior Varsity Baseball Team was looking forward to an outstanding season. With a record of 8-2 at press time, they were obviously off to a good start. According to head coach John Moon, one key to their success at that point was their pitching. The Tartar pitchers, led by Jim Kendig, Jeff Linkous, and Greg Uythoven, and relieved by Dave O'Brien, Dave Hughes and Milton McGill had an ERA of 2.8. In addition to their fine pitching, their hitting was also outstanding. Coach Moon added, "Hitting is our strongest point, and is the best I've seen for at least five years." At the time, they were

hitting .345 as a team.

In league play, the Tartars won their first opponent, West, by a score of 9-3. They went 15 for 35 from the plate, for a hitting percentage of .428. In their first tournament, the Tartars placed second out of 32 teams. They beat their opponents, Artesia, Miraleste, West, and Edison, by a combined score of 27-8. They lost in the final game, however, to Long Beach Milikan, by a score of 5-16.

When asked how far the team should go in post-league play, Coach Moon said that they would "go as far as our pitching allows us."

1. Junior Varsity Baseball Team. Front Row: **Dave Hatakeyama, Doug O'Dowd, Artie De La Torre, Ryan Chenoweth, Jim Kendig.** Second Row: **Mike Begneaud, Ernie Carol, Jeff Linkous, Milton McGill, Jorge Sanchez, Tony Moreno, Dave O'Brien.** Third Row: Coach **Greg Popp, Eric Hayes, David Hughes, Greg Uythoven, Ernie Villareal, Chris Townsen, Jeff Lynch,** Coach **John Moon.** 2. During pre-game warm-ups, **Ernie Villareal** guns the ball to first base. 3. Gritting his teeth, **Dave Hatakeyama** sprints to third.



The Frosh-Soph Team, coached by Tom Lara, and Mark Bakovic, also started off on the right foot. The young Tartars won all five of their pre-league games and beat West as their first league opponent. Catcher Gilbert Martinez summed up the feelings of the team when he said, "If we beat Santa Monica twice, we should be able to take league."

Junior Varsity Baseball

Torrance	Opponent	
16	Rolling Hills	7
3	South	4
9	West	3
7	Santa Monica	9
9	Palos Verdes	3
	North	
9	Centennial	1
1	Rolling Hills	5
10	South	7
	West	
	Santa Monica	
	Palos Verdes	
	North	
	Centennial	

Frosh-Soph Baseball

Torrance	Opponent	
4	Rolling Hills	1
4	South	3
11	West	5
0	Santa Monica	2
3	Palos Verdes	2
	North	
	Centennial	
4	Rolling Hills	3
	South	
	West	
	Santa Monica	
	Palos Verdes	
	North	
	Centennial	



1. Frosh-Soph Baseball Team. Front Row: **Jerry Ebersole, Omar Novoa, Chris Vigil, Danny Neary, Danny Skarl.** Second Row: **Gilbert Martinez, Rich Shim, Johnny Franco, Charles Mungaro, David Sabunas, Lawrence Villa, Mark Pizzatti, Tom McManus.** Third Row: **Coach Tom Lara, Louis Ortiz, David Christian, Bill Olson, Beau Palica, Jon Hadley, Jim Taylor, Sean Millar, Coach Mark Bakovic.** 2. First baseman **Jorge Sanchez** waits patiently during the Santa Monica game. 3. Pitcher **Bill Olson** puts one down the throat of the opponent.



JV Defense Leads To Success

*Varsity suffers from
lack of experience*

"Our team had the talent but we lacked the experience of working together," said Captain Gary Morris when asked about the Boys Varsity Volleyball team. Playing in the tough Bay League, the team consistently lost to equally matched opponents due to "the team's lousy attitude," said Bob Patterson.

According to Coach Ignacio, "The team had great potential but lacked the concentration and desire to win." Ignacio also commented, "Our match against North, who was second

ranked, was extremely good because they wanted to win and we almost did!" Although their record proved to be disappointing, Ron Jensen said, "We all had a good time, and besides, there's always next year."

The Junior Varsity Volleyball team had an excellent defense and could return almost any ball spiked their way. Captains Dean Spizzirri and Mike Dalis kept the team's spirits high and inspired them to work harder.



1. During a practice game, **Jay Scarcella** serves the ball. 2. Varsity Volleyball Team. Front row: **Bob Patterson, Mike Jones.** Second row: **Terry Dobson, Ron Jensen, John Goldsworthy,** Third row: **Paul Tashima, Tony Liston, Curt Brown, Mark Hall, Gary Morris.** 3. After the perfect set, **Mark Hall** successfully spikes the ball over the net against his Santa Monica opponents.



Coach Bobby Yoakum said, "I couldn't believe when Bruce Burgeson returned an almost impossible ball back to West High's team; it was the definite high point of the match, and we went on to win." The team came from behind in several matches to beat tough opponents such as West and South. Yoakum concluded by saying, "Their rapid development will provide THS with a winning program in the near future."

Varsity Volleyball

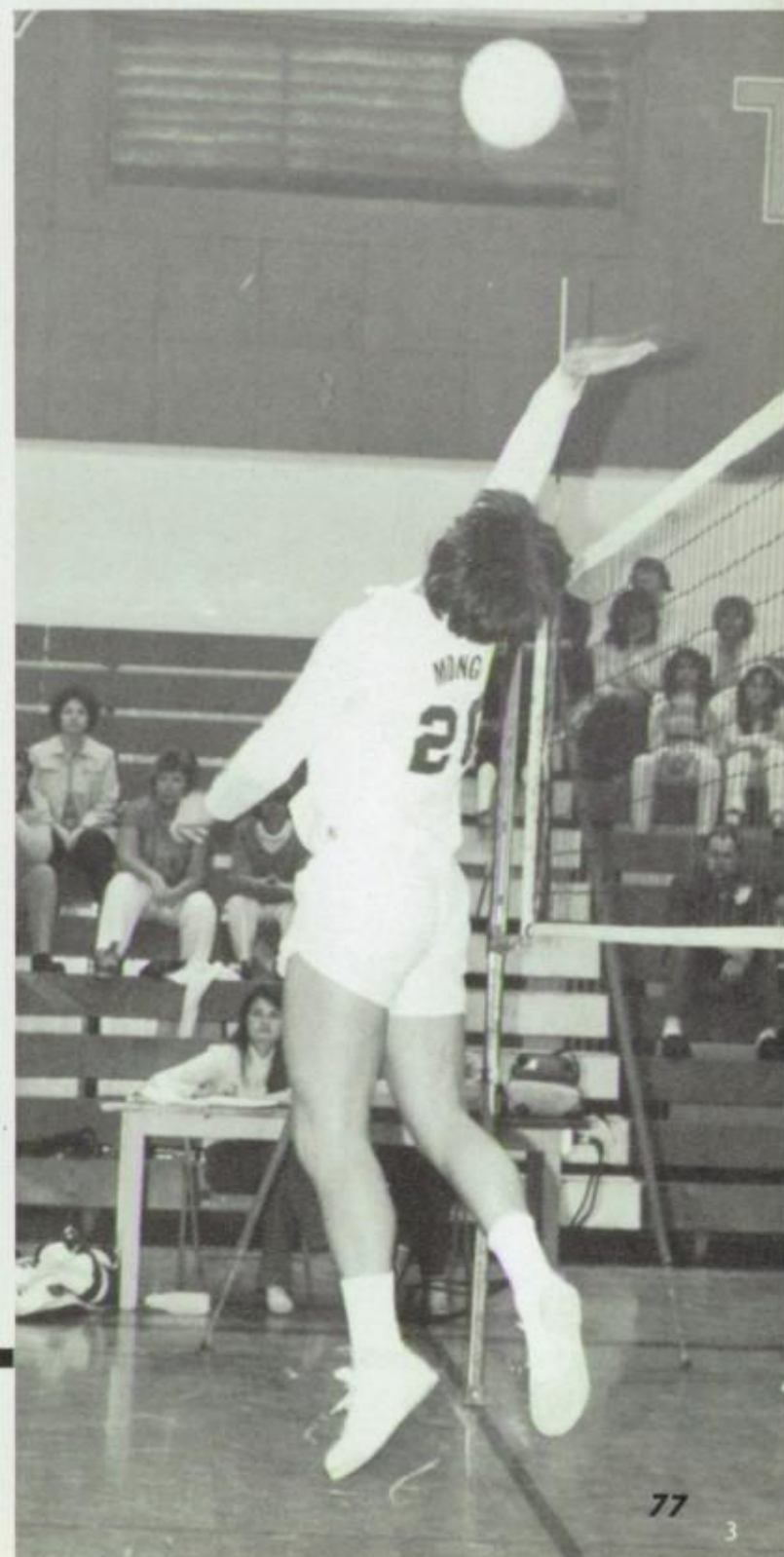
Torrance	Opponent	
1	Rolling Hills	3
0	South	3
2	West	3
0	Santa Monica	3
1	Palos Verdes	3
0	North	3
3	Centennial	0
1	Rolling Hills	3
1	South	3
0	West	3
	Santa Monica	
	Palos Verdes	
	North	
	Centennial	

Junior Varsity Volleyball

Torrance	Opponent	
0	Rolling Hills	3
2	South	1
2	West	1
0	Santa Monica	2
2	Palos Verdes	1
2	North	3
2	Centennial	1
2	Rolling Hills	1
2	South	1
2	West	1
	Santa Monica	
	Palos Verdes	
	North	
	Centennial	



1. During the game against South, players **Bob Patterson** and **Curt Brown** block the ball. 2. JV Volleyball team. First row: **Jay Scarcella, Bruce Burgeson**. Second row: **Jeff Jamile, Arnold Badley, Eric Beranek, Robert Ruiz, Brett Johansen, Ron Werner**. Third row: **Joe Domizio, Mike Goldsworthy, Scott McLachlin, Rick Kirkwood, Dean Spizzirri, Mike Dalis, Rick Schmidt, John McEwen**. 3. Jumping high above the net, **Gary Morris** returns the ball to his opponents.



JV Hot Varsity Not

*Dedication leads to
JV's strong performance*

Throughout the entire season, the Girls Varsity Basketball Team was disappointed with one loss after another. Although the team had outstanding players such as Paige Leech and Co-Captain Hazel Pagkalinawan, it was obvious they lacked team work when they finished last in the Bay League with a season record of 0-14. Senior Co-Captain Kathy Kamiya commented, "Although we had a tough season, it was a building one for the coming years. Despite the hard practices, and disappointing games, we had fun and made great friendships."

However, the Girls Junior Varsity

Team had an outstanding season. Hard work from the beginning of the year led to a successful season for the young team who finished second in the Bay League with a 5-9 record. They also did well in the tournaments such as the North Tournament, where they took second place. The successful outcome of this tournament built their confidence immensely, which carried over into the league. The J.V. team also had some exciting moments, such as beating the Bay League Champions, North High, giving the Saxon's their only loss of the season.

Each member of the team,



1. After stealing the ball from a Saxon's sloppy pass, **Hazel Pagkalinawan** executes a perfect lay-up. 2. **Betty Steward** displays her role in teamwork as she looks for an open player to pass the ball to. 3. Girls Varsity Basketball Team. Front Row: **Jill Kling, Paige Leech**. Second Row: **Stephanie Saracco, Kathy Kamiya, Hazel Pagkalinawan, Liz Torres**. Third Row: **Coach Laura Loggains, Nancy Alford, Crissa Brown, Betty Steward, Jamie Morris, Kim Keldser**.



including top players Maggie Lee, Virginia Alonzo, and Carrie Dunsworth, was willing to practice and improve, showing teamwork, sportsmanship, and much enthusiasm. Coach Steve Sims, in his first year of coaching at Torrance High, commented, "Considering the team's lack of experience, they accomplished what I thought they never would in terms of wins, self-confidence, improvement, and attitudes."

Girls Varsity

Torrance	Opponent	
36	Rolling Hills	65
32	South	60
24	West	64
29	Santa Monica	56
41	Palos Verdes	51
25	North	71
19	Centennial	62
32	Rolling Hills	48
34	South	65
30	West	68
41	Santa Monica	55
41	Palos Verdes	54
23	North	58
30	Centennial	66

Girls Junior Varsity

Torrance	Opponent	
38	Rolling Hills	16
25	South	15
28	West	23
34	Santa Monica	36
36	Palos Verdes	14
38	North	32
38	Centennial	25
36	Rolling Hills	19
41	South	26
28	West	34
22	Santa Monica	33
29	Palos Verdes	25
31	North	36
32	Centennial	38



1. **Paige Leech**, number 50, goes up for a rebound after a North player "bricks" her shot.
2. Girls Junior Varsity Basketball Team. Front Row: **Virginia Alonzo, Carrie Dunsworth, Diane Buerge, Aileen Barclay, Teri Hayden.** Second Row: **Alice Sun, Maggie Lee, Vicki**

Kato, Stacy Shimabukuro. Not pictured: **Andrea Eads, Coach Steve Sims.** 3. **Kim Keldser** concentrates on making her free throw which she shot before a home crowd against North.

Early Meets Give Confidence To Track Athletes

*THS gives excellent
performances at Irvine
Invitational*

The varsity track season got off to a promising start with many fine performances in the early meets. Individual triumphs in the two practice meets against San Pedro and Beverly Hills helped the athletes to gain confidence for such big invitational as Irvine and Rolling Hills.

Sprinter, John Schmidt, did so well at the prestigious Irvine Invitational that he was awarded the "Athlete of the Meet" medal. Schmidt broke the invitational 200 meter record of 22.7 seconds with a time of 22.4 seconds. Torrance runners also prevailed in the 100 meter race, where Schmidt won first place and

Jim Steingrobe finished right behind him for the second place finish. Torrance girls also had a great day at Irvine, with Patty Lobb taking an impressive second place in the 110 hurdles, and Colleen Kevany finishing second in the shot put. Another successful Tartar was Devon Holt who earned a third place medal in the pole vault competition.

Team spirit was at an all time high with encouragement from the team captains, Greg Fong, John Schmidt, Patty Lobb, and Monique Marcoux and the coaches.

After several meets were postponed because of rain, the



1. Senior, **Colleen Kevany**, exhibits excellent form as she throws the shot put in a practice meet against Beverly Hills. 2. Boys Varsity Team. Front row: **Jim Marshall, Greg Fong, Paul Klintworth, Gabriel Almelda, Tony Barraza, Marc Alaria, Kevin Jean, Dion Barela**. Second row: **Chris Smith, Devon Holt, Jim Steingrobe, Bobby Pantanini, David Gilroy, John Schmidt, Scott Mann**. Third row: **Scott Tracy, Steve Johnson, Ted Allison, Paul Popp, Tom Bablar, Jay Barrington, Joe Tulone, Duane Johnson, Mike Currier, Steve Beckler, Graham Scott**. 3. **Metta Tanikawa** begins to pass her opposition in the practice meet against Beverly Hills.

meet against West High proved to be the first league meet of the season. The entire meet was run in the rain, but Torrance still managed to give West some tough competition. Although the team did not win, many Tartars gave lifetime-best performances in the meet against West High.

Dual meets versus Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, South, and Santa Monica were still other competitions in which the Torrance athletes showed that they could give their best efforts under pressure and work well as a team.

Girls Varsity Track

Torrance	Opponent
85	Rolling Hills
	South
50	West
87	Santa Monica
96	Palos Verdes
	North
	Centennial

Boys Varsity Track

Torrance	Opponent
59	Rolling Hills
	South
49	West
51	Santa Monica
82	Palos Verdes
	North
	Centennial



1. Coach Kalmar gives pole-vaulter, **Devon Holt**, a last bit of encouragement and advice.
 2. Girls varsity team Front row: **Metta Tanikawa, Karen Donahue, Sheri Pyle, Karen Schooley, Jennifer Schwartz, Mary Ellen Napier, Michelle Gullory**. Second row: **Monique Marcoux, Lisa Takata, Dianne Dietlan, Kim Schmidt, Audrey Rusanoff, Christine Irvine, Patty Lobb, Claudilla Bonilla**. Not pictured: **Tandie Jarvis**. 3. **Karen Schooley's** expression is a perfect example of how grueling the two-mile race is.

Young Athletes Work Hard At Practices

*Quality individuals
display talent at meets*

With the large turnout of freshman and sophomore girls, the outlook for the season of the Girls Junior Varsity team was positive. Returning athletes such as sprinter Jill Okinaka and hurdler LeAnn LaFrance led the team to victory over Beverly Hills. First year track athletes who showed much potential in the practice meets were Nanci Smith and Aileen Barclay in the sprints, Sherri Johnson in the hurdles and both 440 and mile relays, Tina Neu in the long jump, and Nancy Alford in the shot put.

The sophomore boys team looked strong at the first few meets with a large number of returning athletes who defeated in their first league

meet West High, their toughest competitor in the Bay League. Ronny Cooke showed much improvement since the beginning of the season in the hurdles and also ran fast legs in both relays. Jae Chong dominated the field events, performing well in the long jump and triple jump. Sprinters Rusty Cooper and Alan Matsumoto ran their way to many victories along with half-milers David Moore and Jeff Valliere, and distance runner Tim Conlon.

Although there was a small turnout of freshman boys compared to previous years, there was much quality in the dedicated athletes. This was obvious when they beat

Girls Junior Varsity

Torrance	Opponent	
96	Rolling Hills	21
	South	
58	West	61
92	Santa Monica	27
98	Palos Verdes	26
	North	
	Centennial	



1. Girls Junior Varsity Track Team. Front Row: L. Githens, C. McGrew, T. Gentry, M. Sawa, T. Neu, M. Kim. Second Row: M. Melling, K. Griebel, C. Wolinsky, D. Romero, P. Hunter, J. Okinaka, N. Smith, N. Marcoux, A. DeSilets, K. McKennon. Third Row: L. LaFrance, D. Miller, J. Arceri, N. Alford, H. Chung, J. Bullock, D. Longacre, D. Bohan, M. Iler. Fourth Row: B. O'Neill, L. Jaramillo, S. Johnson, K. Reinert, A. Barclay, T. Neu, H. Vanzee, G. Lee, B. Steward, C. Tyler. 2. With teammates cheering her on, freshman **Karen Donahue** shows that the hard work a distance runner must face ultimately pays off as she wins the grueling two mile race against San Pedro.



West High in their first league meet of the season. Among these strong athletes was Zolton Horvath who received a second place medal in the high jump at Irvine Invitational. He also showed great sprinting ability along with Rick Jones and Gary Silver. Chris McElwee also showed his running talents, coming within seconds of the freshman records in both the mile and two mile races.

Head Coach Mark Knox commented, "There is not much depth in the team, but we have good quality individuals. They are all hard working and there is much to be expected from these young athletes."

Boys Freshman Track Team

Torrance	Opponent
86	Rolling Hills
	South
68	West
	Santa Monica (forfeited)
66	Palos Verdes
	North
	Centennial

Boys Sophomore Track Team

Torrance	Opponent
78	Rolling Hills
	South
63	West
85	Santa Monica
60	Palos Verdes
	North
	Centennial



1. Boys Frosh/Soph Track Team. Front Row: **D. Eby, D. Markwell, T. Ellis, G. Licht, Z. Horvath, S. Tasker, K. Shida, S. Berg, T. Sonoda, D. Williams.** Second Row: **T. Conlon, J. Chong, A. Matsumoto, D. Trujillo, R. Mixon, M. Bartelt, J. Valliere, L. Pistole, T. Grove, D. Moore, R. Hampton, M. Woo.** Third Row: **P. Paik, M. Hardy, L. Shore, L. Blevens, B. Taylor, P. Schneider, R. Cooke, E. Bajar, C. McElwee, S. Ruff, P. Hartwell, B. Lerman, A. Silva, M. Ruffell, G. Eastham, R. Jones.** Fourth Row: **D. Hunt, G. Detor, D. Smith, F.**

Marumoto, R. Riggs, D. Bennett, G. Silver, C. Rentro, S. Peckum. 2. **Ronny Cooke** delivers a perfect pass to teammate **Eric Bajar** as they run the sophomore 400 meter relay against San Pedro. 3. Sophomore **Alan Matsumoto** concentrates on breaking the tape at the end of the 100 meter race as he rises from the blocks at the call of the starter. 4. **Ronny Cooke** displays his winning form over the hurdle as he catches his opponent from San Pedro early in the 300 meter low hurdles race.

Gymnasts Begin Season Undefeated

*Have high expectations
for league*

The Gymnastics team, coached by Chris Olsen and Jan Hasegawa, opened up the season on a winning note. After beating Aviation in their pre-league meet, they remained undefeated through their first three Bay League meets. In league competition, they raised their overall team scores by an average of 11.5 points per meet, and at press time, had beaten their opponents by a combined average of 27.5 points. This success was due to the high level of the entire team.

In their first tri-meet against Palos Verdes and South, Torrance

squeaked out a victory by only seven-tenths of one point. Sue Jersey took second on beam, and Sarah Caillier took first place on vault, third on beam, third on bars, and won second place in the All Around competition.

Competing against Rolling Hills and North in the second league meet, Jeanette Tanyi placed second on vault and beam, and Caillier took first on floor, beam, and All Around. Michelle Algarme placed fourth on vault and beam, and Jersey took fifth on these two events.

Next, Torrance met Palos Verdes

1. The 1982 Gymnastics Team. Front Row: **Sue Steinkamp, Amy Burkhardt.** Second Row: **Coach Jan Hasegawa, Renay Dumont, Nikki Bilbrey, Michelle Early, Donelle Cucci, Traci Armstrong, Christine Basham, Sheri Johnson, Michelle Algarme.** Third Row: **Head Coach Christopher Olsen, Jerilyn Schmidt, Laura Severance, Jennifer Carlson, Cindy Williams, Sarah Caillier, Shayna Eskew, Traci Janoski, Jeanette Tanyi, Sue Jersey, Terri Unzueta.** 2. **Michelle Algarme** does a front handspring on the vault, while **Coach Olsen** spots. 3. **Cindy Williams** performs a dance move in her floor routine.



and West at P.V., where Laura Severance tied for fourth with Tanyi on vault, and Tanyi took fourth on bars, fifth on beam, second All-Around and tied for fifth on floor with Amy Burkhardt. Burkhardt also placed fifth on bars, Jersey took fourth on beam, Cindy Williams placed second on beam and third on floor, and Renay Dumont took first on beam. Senior Sarah Caillier placed second on vault, floor, and bars, and took first in All Around.

Coach Olsen attributed their winnings to "experienced

competitors and good depth in all events." He added that the team had "good training habits, and were very competitive in both practice and during the meets." He hoped that the number of injuries, which set the team back, in terms of the number of girls able to compete, would be limited, and that one of the highlights of the season would be "getting the whole team to one meet without any injuries!" He also said that "this year's team has the potential to take league undefeated."

Gymnastics

Torrance	Opponent
136.9	South 136.2
	Palos Verdes 128.2
145.7	Rolling Hills 140.1
	North 70.8
159.8	West 104.4
	Palos Verdes 149.8
155.3	Rolling Hills 155.5
	North 104.4
	West 120.6
144.6	South



1. **Sarah Caillier** prepares for a front seat circle. 2. **Renay Dumont** does a scale on the balance beam.



Teamwork Gives Varsity and JV Girls Success

*Both teams expected to
place high in Bay
League*

The Varsity Softball team displayed much talent and great ability as they beat South, Rolling Hills, and West High Schools in their first league games. They were expected to place high in the Bay League and had an excellent opportunity to make CIF playoffs. The toughest competition was expected to come from North and West High Schools.

Captain Paige Leech, who was one of only two seniors on the team, guided the varsity players with her leadership. Pitcher Donna Drake was a great asset to the team, along with shortstop Norine Aoki, first

baseman Liz Torres, and third baseman Missy Villasenor. First year varsity players Jamie Morris, Kim Pike, Lisa Bradford, and Kelly Stathoules led a very strong defense.

Varsity Coach Robert Williams commented, "This team is composed mostly of eleventh graders. This will ensure an excellent team for the next two years."

The Junior Varsity softball team, like the varsity team, was also made up of very talented players. Early in the season they displayed great teamwork as they won their first three league games.



1. With **Donna Drake** on deck, **Lisa Bradford** focuses on the path of the ball after hitting it into left field. 2. **Norine Aoki** attempts to throw out a West High runner at first base. 3. Girls Varsity Softball Team. Front Row: **Missy Villasenor, Hazel Pagkalinawan, Norine Aoki.**

Second Row: **Veronica Vigil, Kelly Stathoules, Lisa Gillard, Jill Kling, Carla Amos, Liz Torres.** Third Row: **Coach Robert Williams, Kim Pike, Donna Drake, Paige Leech, Lisa Bradford, Jamie Morris.**



Sophomores Darlene Olson and Michelle Robertson headed a great pitching staff, and Gail Gagarinas was an excellent short stop and center-fielder. Freshmen Dori Maruo and Tammy Ford led a strong defensive team as third baseman and outfielder, respectively. Along with these strong points was their batting ability. The girls had few strikeouts and made good contact at the plate.

First year coach Gary Breese commented about the team, "With our excellent pitching, strong defense, and good hitting, I anticipate a battle with North High School for first place this season."

Girls Varsity

Torrance	Opponent
6	Rolling Hills
5	South
3	West
6	Santa Monica
6	Palos Verdes
	North
14	Centennial
	Rolling Hills
	South
	West
	Santa Monica
	Palos Verdes
	North
	Centennial

Girls Junior Varsity

Torrance	Opponent
9	Rolling Hills
4	South
9	West
	Santa Monica (forfeited match)
20	Palos Verdes
	North
16	Centennial
12	Rolling Hills
	South
	West
	Santa Monica (forfeited match)
	Palos Verdes
	North
	Centennial



1. Girls Junior Varsity Softball Team. Front Row: **Tammy Ford, Rhonda Myers, Gail Gagarinas, Paula Hatakeyama, Maggie Lee, Dori Maruo, Debbie Rutherford.** Second Row: **Coach Gary Breese, Monica Hergert, Carrie Dunsworth, Lynne Ohara, Darlene Olson, Michelle Robertson, Andrea Belmonte, Paige Halliwell.** 2. Keeping her foot on the bag, **Kelly Stathoules** is ready to catch the ball before a Gahr High School runner reaches second base. 3. In the West Tournament, pitcher **Donna Drake** attempts to strike out a player from Gahr High with her fast ball.

Swingers Use Strength To Their Advantage

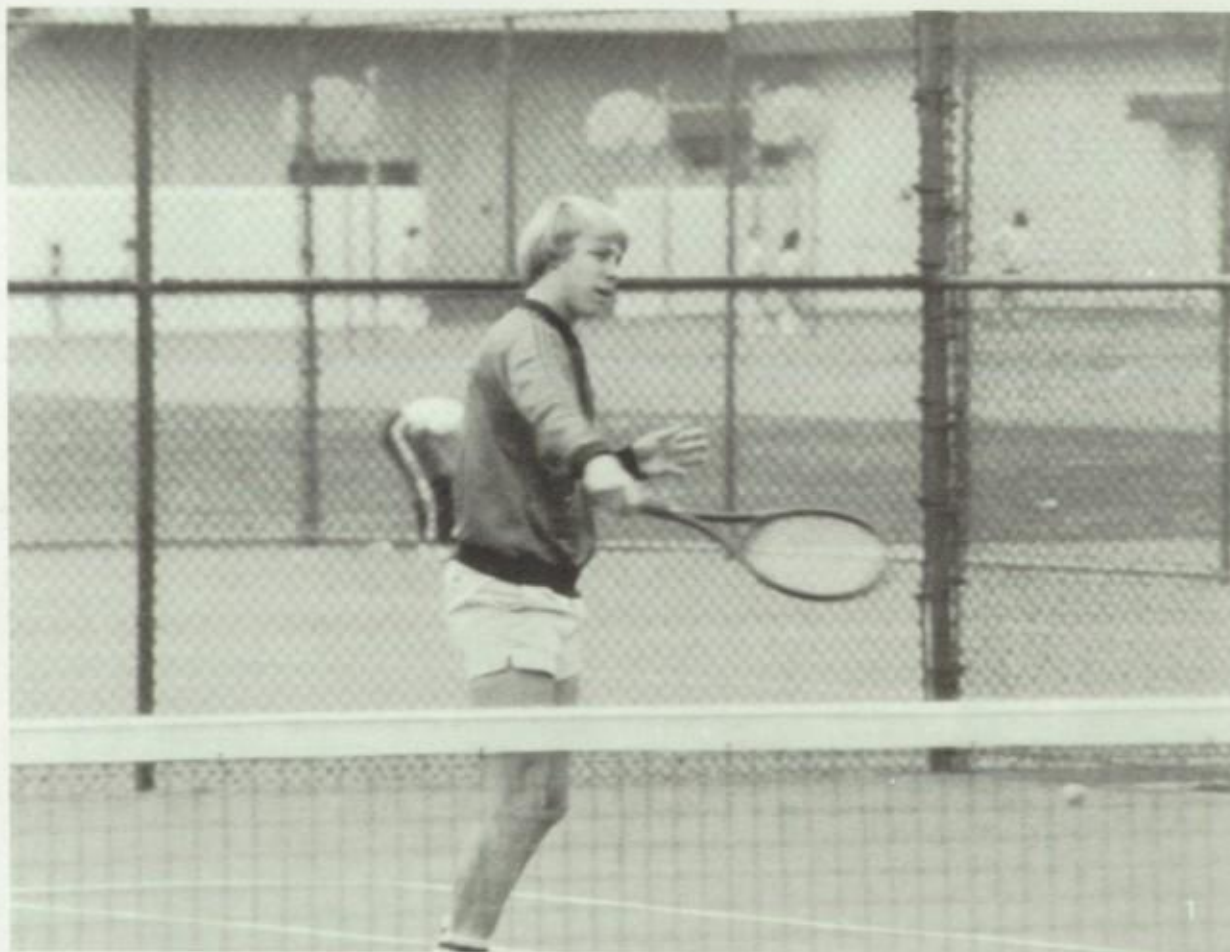
*Buss, Zafran lead
doubles
Sam and Masudas,
singles*

With sweat dripping down their foreheads and their eyes focused in concentration only on the fuzzy, yellow tennis ball, the Boys' Varsity and Junior Varsity Tennis Teams battled their Bay League opposition with strong determination. Returning varsity players Barry Buss, voted Most Valuable Player in the league, and Chris Sam, voted All-League Player, consistently dominated their opponents and led the team to many close matches. South, Rolling Hills, and Santa Monica were their toughest rivals, but because of a strong balance of player strength the team fought for every point and paved the way for "a good chance

at the play-offs," according to Coach Woody Griggs.

The strong doubles teams of Don Chang and Barry Buss, and Scott Nishimura and Alan Zafran together with consistent singles players Kelly Masuda, Chris Sam, Kevin Masuda and Gerry Buss were instrumental in propelling the team to a 5-1 pre-season record. "We did really well in our pre-season matches and I think that helped boost our self-confidence for the actual league matches," commented Chang.

Freshman Jeff Johnson and sophomores Tom Bulowski and Koichi Sataki rallied with constant power for the Junior Varsity team. All three



1. **Barry Buss** aims for the singles' out-of-bounds and punches a forceful volley. 2. Concentrating only on the ball, **Kelly Masuda** prepares for a slice backhand. 3. Boys Junior Varsity Tennis Team. Front row: **Bryan Brown, Eric Tokabayashi, Takao Kurado, Robert Rodriguez, Randy Maruyama, Nolan Ng, Scott Zafran.** Back row: **James Yu, Arthur Amezcua, Seichiro Kita, Robert Biando, Jim Black, Victor Kovacs, Yo Shiau Kuo, Koichi Satake, John Postic.**



players looked promising for varsity positions on next year's team. "This year's team is much improved. They're stronger and more consistent, and most of them know their multiplication tables," joked Griggs.

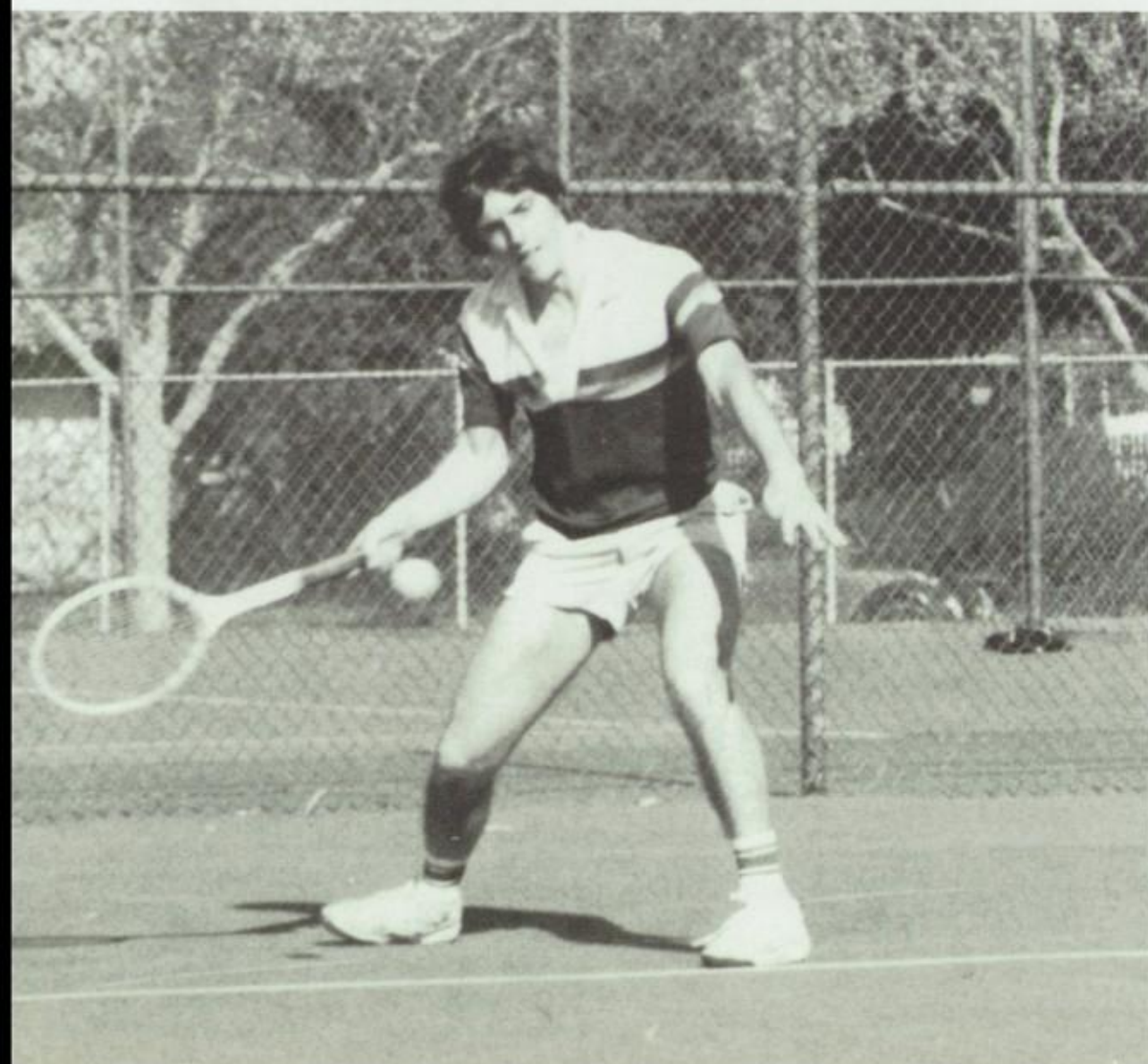
Scott Nishimura summed up his feelings about this year's team by stating, "We did have great players like Chris Sam and Barry Buss, but many teams in the league had their share of ranked players. It was the steadiness and consistency of the rest of the players that helped pull us out of some tight situations."

Boys Varsity Tennis

Torrance	Opponent	
19	Rolling Hills	9
13	South	15
27	West	1
23	Santa Monica	5
11	Palos Verdes	17
25	North	3
28	Centennial	0
16	Rolling Hills	12
	South	
	West	
	Santa Monica	
	Palos Verdes	
	North	
	Centennial	

Boys Junior Varsity Tennis

Torrance	Opponent	
0	Rolling Hills	7
4	South	3
5	West	2
2	Santa Monica	5
0	Palos Verdes	7
6	North	1
7	Centennial	0
1	Rolling Hills	6
	South	
	West	
	Santa Monica	
	Palos Verdes	
	North	
	Centennial	



1. Boys Varsity Tennis Team. Front row: **Kelly Masuda, Jeff Johnson, Jerry Buss, Kevin Masuda**. Back row: **Scott Nishimura, Alan Zafran, Chris Sam, Don Chang, Tom Bulowski**. Not pictured, **Barry Buss**. 2. **Alan Zafran** makes a blistering service return during his doubles match against Rolling Hills. 3. Using all his strength, junior varsity player **Kolchi Satake** attempts to serve an ace.

Omoto Leads Young Golfers

*But inexperience
hurts scores*

Although the Varsity Golf team got off to a slow start, losing the first two matches, senior Captain Ron Omoto still felt, "We have a pretty good chance to make CIF." Omoto was a four year letterman and the only senior on the team. Both Omoto and freshman standout Nick Chen led the Tartars against the five-team Bay League. Rolling Hills and Palos Verdes looked to be the toughest opponents.

Besides lacking experience, the Tartars were also handicapped by not having a nearby golf course to practice on. The golfers were sometimes forced to practice on the lawn by the main cafe.



1. The Varsity Golf Team. Front row: **Chad Parlmalee, Damon Kovacs, Nick Chen, Mike Chen.** Back row: **David Peterson, Mike Maybury, Ron Omoto, Coach Will Boerger.** 2. **Mike Chen** observes **Dave Peterson's** putting technique before facing Miraleste.



Having so many young players made the golf team look to be a contender in future CIF competitions.

Always supportive of the team, Head Coach Will Boerger mentioned, "If we go to CIF as a team, 'The Coach' is buying at McDonalds." Ron Omoto was Torrance's best bet to compete in the CIF individual competition.

Coach Boerger's decision to keep a j.v. team was a very important one although they did not compete in a league. Playing free lance, Boerger said the team provided "an

excellent opportunity for a young golfer to find out whether he or she wants to continue and practice to move up to the Big 'V'."

The golf team drew virtually no crowds for their matches, but Omoto used it to his advantage, realizing that with less pressure he could "just go out there and have fun." Torrance certainly enjoyed its 212-226 win over Leuzinger early in the season. Omoto, who had an excellent score of 40 in that game, said that if he continued to improve, he would like to compete in college.

Varsity Golf Team

Torrance		Opponent
225	Harvard	212
252	Miraleste	223
226	Beverly Hills	204
229	El Segundo	212
205	Leuzinger	177
212	Leuzinger	226
	Beverly Hills	
	El Segundo	

*low score wins



1. **Ron Omoto** shows why he is a four year letterman on an excellent follow through at the Rolling Hills Country Club. 2. The JV Golf Team: **Rich Sader, Rick Storti, Tim Coleman, Rene Garza, Chad Parmalee, Jay Bennett, Alan Hill.** 3. **Nick Chen** warms up his putt on the practice green at the Rolling Hills Country Club.

Sports Occupy Tartars' Spare Time

Waterskiing: Most popular by far

Torrance High students participated in a wide variety of after-school and weekend activities in addition to school-related sports. Such activities included waterskiing, windsurfing, scuba diving, long distance running, and ballet. Ice hockey was another popular sport for T.H.S. students. Ricky Kirkwood, an avid ice hockey player commented, "Ice hockey is a great sport that's not offered by the school. I enjoy playing on a team that involves

other players throughout the South Bay."

Bill Tragus, Greg Spaan, Mark Yanai, and Derek Mitobe used their free time and basketball skills after school by coaching a team of younger basketball players. "When the game starts we're part of the team. It's the coaches and kids working together," were Bill Tragus' words concerning their coaching jobs.



1. Completing a jump, **Steve Johnson** shows his expertise at waterskiing. 2. Varsity cross country runner, **Jim Marshall** spends many of his weekends running in 10 Kilometer runs such

as this one in Redondo Beach. 3. Whites Point, off Palos Verdes peninsula is a favorite diving spot for scuba divers, **Jay Burke, Jay Canfield,** and **Robyn Alfena.**



1. Windsurfing at King Harbor is a weekend activity enjoyed by senior, **Colleen Kevany**. 2. **Wendy Cook** performs in "The Nutcracker Sweet" at El Camino. 3. A lot of practice

went in to make senior, **Kevin Tyler's** fishtail so perfect. 4. Sophomore, **Robby Anderson** poses for a picture in his hockey uniform.



SENIORS





Seniors Frame Memories

The framing of a drawing or painting completes the artist's work. He has already added his finishing touches, making sure that attention has been paid to every detail. The job of a high school senior is similar to that of an artist completing his work. During the last year of high school, the senior adds his own finishing touches to his high school record by involving himself in activities which interest him and also by fully preparing himself for the future. It is during these last few months that the senior completes the details and classes he will need for college or a career.

The senior year is also a time for framing memories and friendships. As Graduation draws nearer, a senior becomes more nervous. He frantically checks and rechecks in order to assure himself that he has not missed a single detail. When Graduation finally arrives, the student's high school record is finally and completely framed. As he looks at it, he checks, he hopes, and he wonders, as does the artist, if he could have made improvements. The longer he reflects, though, the more he realizes that he has done his best.

1. Graduation completes a student's stay in high school. **2.** Senior Class Council member, **Kim Ruffell**, seems to enjoy cleaning the Senior Pond. **3.** The Senior Patio is a quiet place reserved for seniors.



1. In Annual Staff, **Dave Gillen** alphabetizes Freshman Class pictures. 2. **Karl Hirsch** grimaces at a bad joke. 3. Spending a quiet moment alone, **Lars Viklund** enjoys a sandwich. 4. Cleaning the Senior Pond during

summer vacation provides hard work for **Sam Kim, Kathy Kamiya, Cathy Nishimuta, Kay Noma, Alan Zafran** and **Kim Ruffell**. 5. After looking for the correct answer to his teacher's question, **Warren Brown** gives his reply.

Senior: "S" Stands for Special

Becoming a senior is the dream of almost every underclassman. Being a senior means being older, having more freedom and, of course, more fun.

"What I like best (about being a senior) is being able to act like a freshman and get away with it!"-
Marshall Ozawa

"The best part of being a senior is Graduation and Prom."-Liz Neary

However, to some students becoming a senior is not quite what they expected.

"I always thought it would be more fun to be a senior, but when you finally get there it seems like every other year. After football season was over and

sending college applications in, though, it finally started to sink in."-
Vicki White

The reality of being a senior, however, is not only the fun and the older feeling, but also is the end of an important part of a person's life and the beginning of a new one.

"Life as a senior is like being on a ferris wheel; you only go around once as a senior, so you have to grab all the gusto you can."-
Alan Zafran

"Being a senior is like reaching the top of a ski lift. Before long you'll be back where you started from, but the ride was sure fun!"-Alan
Marumoto



Patricia Acosta
Lauren Adams
Jolanda Aldrette
Kimberly Allen



Ted Allison
Arvceli Alonzo
David Alvarez
Rachael Alvarez



Shirley Alvarez
Tony Amon
Michael Anderson
Ronnie Anderson

Two Athletes Flex For THS

Although Torrance High had many talented athletes with a lot of potential, Paige Leech and Frank Lewin were recognized by their fellow classmen as the two Most Athletic seniors.

Leech and Lewin both began playing sports at very early ages. Leech began playing Park and Recreation sports when she was six years old, and Lewin participated in basketball, football and baseball from age eight. Since then, Leech and Lewin have developed into great athletes and have participated in sports at T.H.S. wholeheartedly.

Lewin played varsity football for three years and led the team in many exciting games. He also played soccer for four years and ran track when he was a freshman and sophomore. Leech also had a long list of athletic achievements at Torrance High.

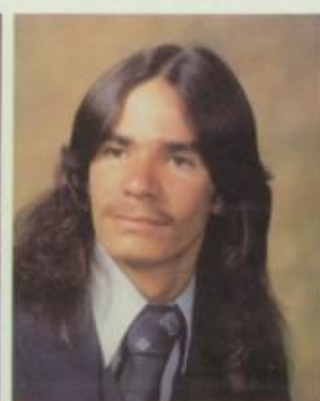
She played volleyball for four years (two years varsity), varsity basketball for three years, varsity softball for four years, and played powderpuff football both her junior and senior years.

When asked about his plans for the future, Lewin replied, "I have not decided which college I want to go to, but I plan to play football there. My goal is to play in one professional football game. I'd also like to coach kids when I get older." Leech planned to go to Chico State University and play volleyball and softball there. She too was thinking of coaching when she was older.

Lewin and Leech both agreed that being in organized sports at Torrance High taught them to discipline their minds and bodies and to become winners. Stated Leech, "I've learned a lot about myself through athletics. I've become a more self-controlled person."



Naomi Ano
Arda Apelian
Marcella Arancibia
Vincent Arcuri
Evelia Arechigia



Chris Armstrong
Ron Armstrong
Rebecca Arnado
Shelli Asper
Carolyn Atsumi

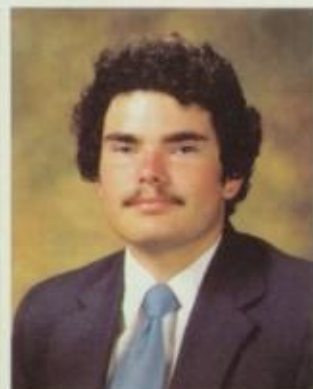


Michelle Aviles
Tom Babiari
Kimberly Barnes
Glen Baker
Holly Baker





John Baker
Debbie Baldwin
Kathleen Ball
Roberto Banaban



Fiona Barclay
Tony Barraza
Stephen Basile
Bassam Bayouk



Stephanie Beedle
Robert Bernstein
Laura Bigham
Venetia Birakos



An exasperated **Kathy Kojima** awaits her favorite guy.



Curt "Moe" Brown dreams about his favorite girl.

Tammy Ann Blackenship
 Renee Blair
 Michael Boormeester
 Michael Bolde
 Rob Boldt
 Brian Booth



Amy Burkhardt
 Steve Boschetti
 Tracy Bowen
 Amber Bowers
 Tina Boyd
 Curtis Brown



Ellen Brown
 Warren Brown
 Brian Burchell
 Barry Buss
 Alice Bustamonte
 Karen Byrne



Three seniors, **Gary Wolverton**, **Colleen Kevany**, and **Mike Takahashi**, enjoy balloons which help highlight the football game.



Reaganomics Arouses Criticism

Ronald Reagan, like any other President, suffered much criticism in his first few months in office. The one aspect of the Reagan Administration which was assailed by his critics and received the most attention by the media was the President's economic program, in which President Reagan proposed a three-year, 25 percent tax reduction. The President's plan was based on the supply side theory, which states that an economy mixed with massive tax reductions will thrive, as increased investment and savings promote productivity, and thus, the supply of goods and services. Another aspect of the Reagan economic program involved the cutting of the

federal budget by billions of dollars. Some suggested areas to cut included social services, such as Social Security, as well as the possibility of eliminating the Department of Education.

President Reagan's proposals targeted at helping the economy affected everyone in the United States, including seniors at Torrance High. When senior Ellen Brown was asked about what she thought of Reagan's economic plan, she stated, "It would be better to make cuts on such things as house plants for former President Nixon's office, than to make cuts on Social Security for people who have no other means of financial support."



Jeanne Calatayud
Carrie Caillier
Sarah Caillier
Carl Caprioglio

Fred Carlson
Tracey Carpenter
Lisa Casanova
Lisa Castillo

Holly Cathey
Marie Chacon
Tamara Chamberlain
Dawn Chandler

College, Careers, Marriage Important to Seniors

Increasingly, high school students had been forced to plan ahead for their futures, and Torrance's seniors were no exception. Even before the year really started, seniors were bombarded with choices to make: college choices, career preferences, and whether or not and when to get married.

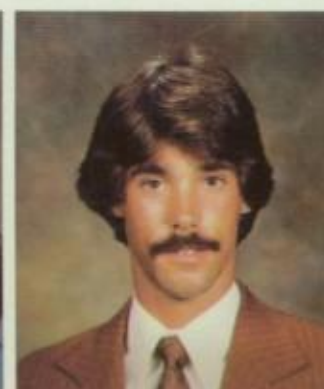
College was becoming more important as each year passed. Nearly all jobs were available only to college graduates. As a result, more and more students were going to college. For example, more than 80% of the seniors polled planned on attending at least two years of college, with most expressing a

desire to attend a four year college or university. Some of the most popular colleges were UCLA, El Camino, and Long Beach.

Marriage, surprisingly, seemed to play a large role in the plans of students, with over 77% of Torrance's seniors planning to marry. The only variation in their plans came in the age they planned to marry. For example, most students wish to wait at least four or five years until they got married, with a few planning to marry straight out of high school. This may have resulted from the number of students attending college.



Young Chang
Angela Chavez
Annette Chavez
Ross Chenoweth
Joe Chong



Peter Chong
Cindy Christian
Cheryl Ciofalo
Saskia Claas
Kenneth Claypool



Victor Cocchiaro
Teri Combs
Rachel Conahan
Jacqueline Cook
Wendy Cooke





Chris Cordeiro
Janet Courier
Buddy Crabtree
Scott Creek
Kelly Cress
Richard Croucier



Donelle Cucci
Diego Cuevas
Phyllis Currier
Carol Cyr
Kathy Darrow
David Davis



Darryl Dearborn
Tina Dedman
Thomas de Lellis
Shari Dellinger
Terri Derrickson
Carl Di Giacomo

Steve, I'm
glad we had
geometry class
together. will
I hope we stay
friends and
have a great
summer. See
ya next year
Love
Dyane



Stephanie Beedle takes a private look at **David Alvarez's** senior portrait.



Matt Diagostine
Dianne Dietlin
Terrence Dobson
Diana Dolson



Elizabeth Dominguez
Cynthia Douglas
Kevin Doyle
Michael Drapeau



Lisa Drewry
Danielle Dumais
Bill Edwards
Ernest Eidson



Mike Manuel and **Kim Ruffell** "rock out" at the Howdy Dance.



Gerber "Mintzes" Words

Miriam Mintz dressed in a sack and did "the Worm" at a pep rally. Barry Gerber accumulated as many as 15 referrals from his teachers for "goofing around too much" in class. Yet, they were both surprised to hear their names announced as Class Clowns at the Senior Bests Rally.

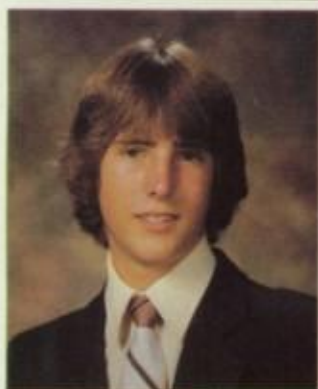
Mintz's father and brother contributed to her sense of humor. She enjoyed being funny, because it was natural to her. She explained, "It just comes out!" Her reputation as a class clown was established while going out with her friends, like Chandra Ronnie and Rochelle Noday. Together they were the "Three Musketeers", and their escapades included performing their own rendition of the Beatles' "Twist and Shout" at the Halloween Dance. She found her sense of humor helped her "blend with people" and enjoy high school to its fullest. She reasoned, "Your high

school years are the best. Why not go for 'em full throttle?"

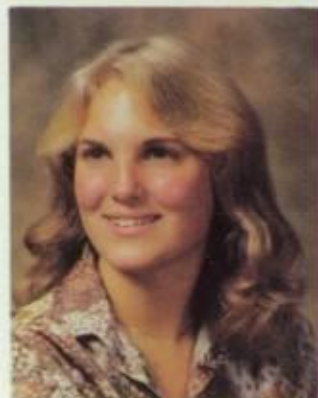
Gerber believed he got his sense of humor from his four brothers and his friends. He enjoyed clowning because, "I don't like being boring." His sometimes disruptive nature in class caused trouble for him "all the time!" He philosophized that if one has no sense of humor, he might take life too seriously and become overwhelmed by it all. However, he was somewhat reluctant to accept the label of Class Clown and its stereotype. "I don't think of myself as a big clown, but I like to keep my sense of humor." Karl Hirsch noticed he was serious when necessary in school, and when he was with a special friend, Lisa Casanova. Gerber offered the advice, "Don't take life too seriously, seriously! You gotta be happy. Joke around a little."



Shelley Eisentraut
Mark Ellingson
Marty Ellis
Virginia Eredia
Lesa Erickson



Michael Estrada
Bill Evans
Laura Fachtman
Doyle Ferguson
Richard Flower



Gregory Fong
Kim Foster
Linda Fox
Chrissy Frazier
Gwen Galeon

"Ponies" in the Parking Lot

Many cars represented Torrance High in the '81-'82 year, ranging from Bugs, to Porsches, to trucks, to "Mom's old car." But there was one line of cars that stood out from all the rest—Mustangs. The Mustangs found in the student parking lot were plentiful, spanning from the 60's model to the 80's. However, the 60's version was definitely the popular choice, as most students agreed upon.

Some comments about this popular car were seemingly parallel to each other. For example, Jack Kightlinger stated, "The whole classic line of Mustangs are unique in their own little way."

Micah Irvine commented, "It's a classic!!"

And Bob Strelich replied, "Mustangs are excellent 'cause no matter how old it is, you can still fix-it-up and it would still look like a high-class car of any time!"

However, some people's comments tended to make their Mustangs more their buddies, than cars. For instance, Matt Diagostine proudly stated, "I love my car 'cause nobody has one just like mine... Maybe someday I'll even get the whole car painted one color!"

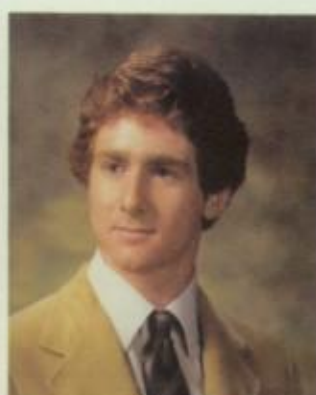
Bill Tragus remarked, "I would dump a cheerleader for my Mustang!"

And Dave Davis exclaimed, "The car takes after me!!"

Torrance High School students were truly dedicated to their beloved "Ponies"!!



Diane Gates
Kathy Gefvert
Barry Gerber
David Gillen



David Gilroy
Joseph Gima
Ronald Githens
Heidi Gleason



Joann Glenn
Debbie Graham
Christina Greenlaw
Belinda Gregory





Lori Grieshaber
Lauri Griffin
Marianne Grippo
Joseph Gross
Sammy Gerbasi
David Guffey



Jeffrey Hahn
Brad Hardison
Dana Harris
Katherine Harrison
Elizabeth Hawes
Paula Hayes



Tom Heidman
Dana Henderson
Tricia Henderson
Paul Hendricks
Theresa Hermosillo
Mark Hernadi



The students of Torrance High were as much "pony" lovers as they were "tartar" lovers.

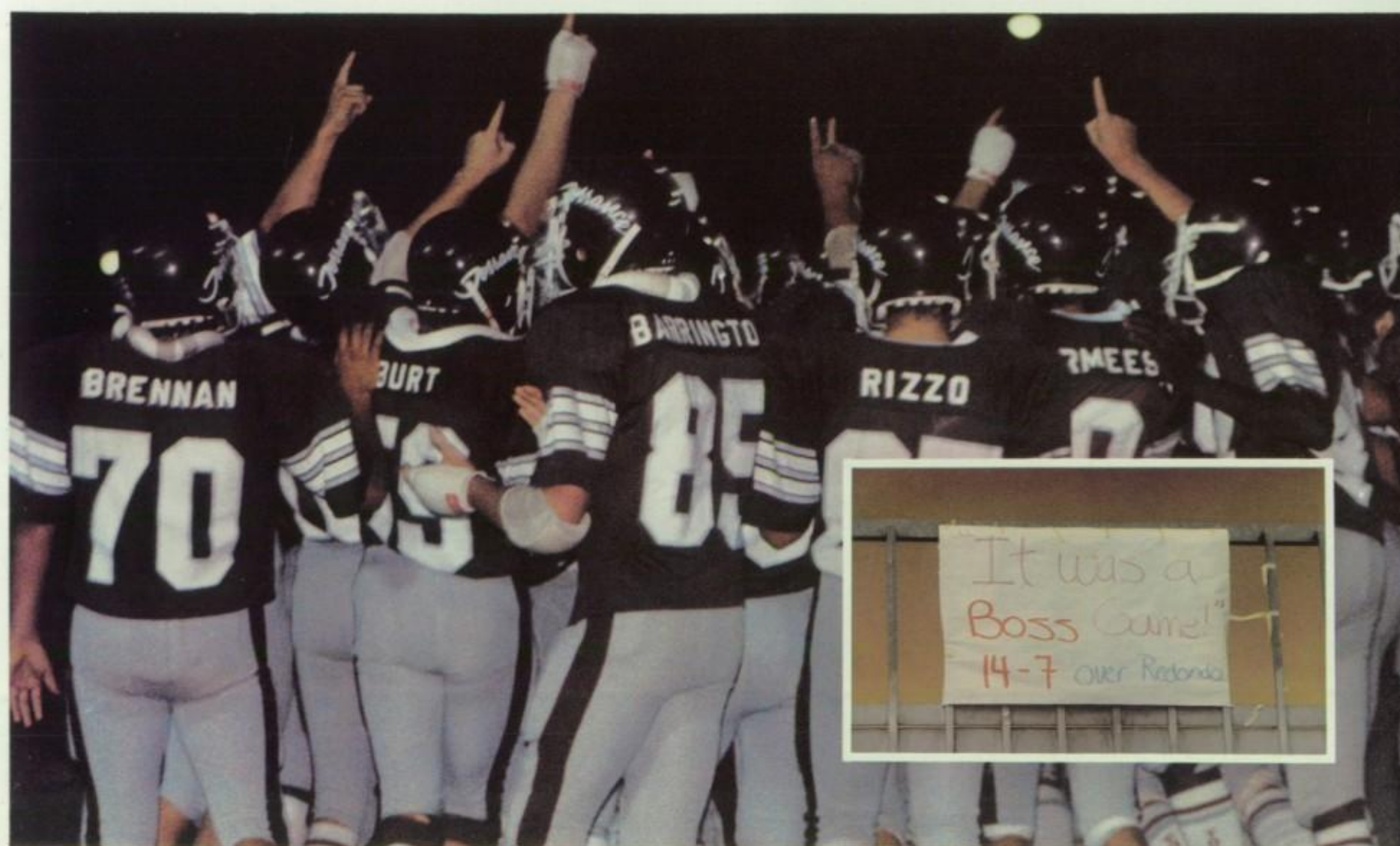
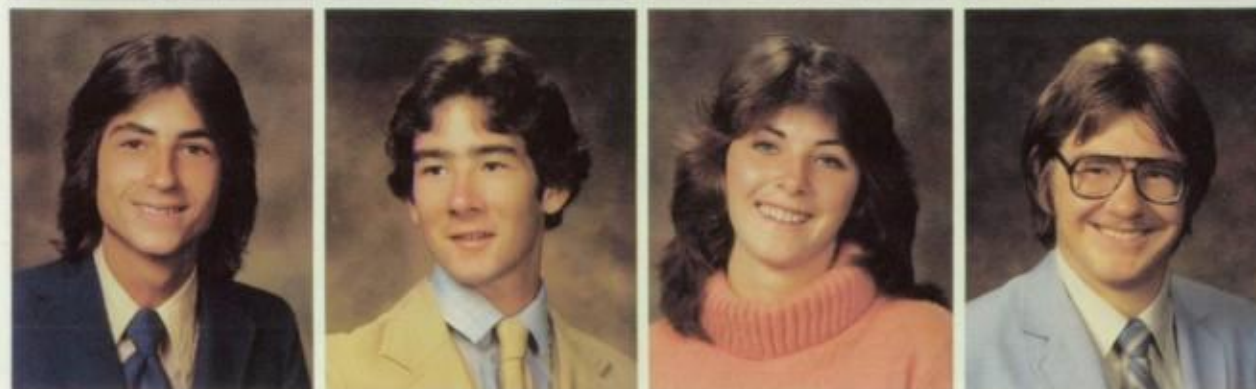
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 Anthony Herrera
 Steve Herzig
 David Hildreth
 Tim Hines



Paul Hinkston
 Dan Holloway
 Sean Holmgren
 Devin Holt
 Tom Horkay
 Laurie Houlihan



Matt Hudak
 Mike Hughes
 Heather Hulsey
 Robert Hunter
 Gary Hutton
 Phuong Huynt



Varsity football players gather together as a "family."



From Monster to "Dracula"

"I don't think I would go anywhere else," replied Pim Jansen when asked why he chose to be an exchange student to the United States.

Jansen had already finished the equivalent of high school before he journeyed from the town of Monster, Holland to Torrance. The school systems in Holland and California differed greatly. In California students of all academic abilities attended the same school, while in Holland there were entire schools designed for the same level students. Within each school the grade levels were kept completely separate.

For electives he chose classes not offered in Holland: advanced journalism, acting and tennis. Jansen was also involved in many organizations, including Drama Club, French

Club and German Club. In addition, he played the character John Harker in the fall play "Dracula." Jansen's favorite aspects of Torrance High were sports, drama, journalism, off-campus lunch, and dances.

Since no minimum alcohol-drinking age existed in Holland, drinking was natural part of the Dutch teens' lives. However, they didn't get drunk. Dutch teens considered getting drunk to be in bad taste and a very "uncool" thing to do.

Another familiar topic that differed in Holland was dating. Dutch teens participated in a lot more group dating since they were not allowed to drive themselves until they became 18. As Jansen said, "It's hard to take a date to the movies on a bicycle."



Rhonda Hyatt
Jodi Ihde
Christine Irion
John Irvine



Cheri Ivers
Wendy Jameson
Chris Jamieson
Derek Jang



Pim Jansen
Michelle Jencks
Margo Jensen
Mark Jensen

Pat 'n' Carrie Steal Hearts

We saw them holding hands in the halls, driving home from school, and sharing a bottle of suntan lotion at the beach. She was at all of his games, and he always carried her books. Every high school has one, a cheerleader and a football player, the Cutest Couple. Ours was Pat Such and Carrie Caillier.

They met in their Sophomore English class. Although Such did not sit behind her, Caillier remembered that they talked before class and found each other to be "nice." Such asked her out, and it went so well, that one year and eight months later Pat and Carrie were synonyms around campus. They saw each other often at school, after his practices and sometimes at night for dinner or a movie.

By talking honestly and sometimes spending time away from each other, they solved problems common among couples. Faded romance,

outside friendships, busy schedules and getting on each other's nerves were some of the difficulties they tried to smooth out. When asked how they felt about a possible break-up, neither foresaw or cared to think about it.

They both personally preferred one-on-one relationships, and felt their brought them each new friendships and helped them avoid reckless social lives.

When asked what they liked best about each other, "Everything!" was each of their replies, and Such added, "her smile." He believed that teenagers were capable of a serious relationship, and Caillier felt it depended on the individuals. A continuation of their relationship was seen in the near future, and marriage was a possibility, but for much later. When asked how they felt about love, both answered with a blush.



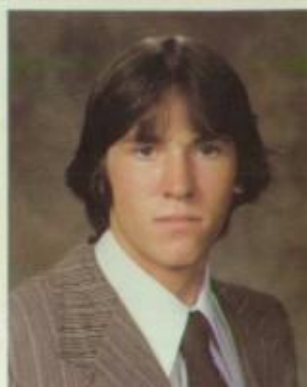
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Kelly Jones
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Kathy Kamiya



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Jack Kightlinger
Barry Kikuno

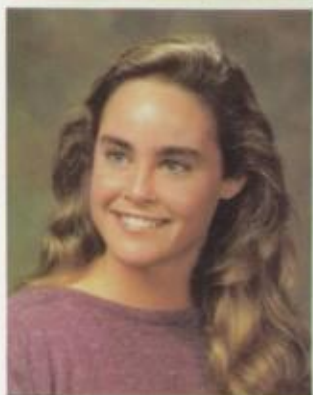




Angela Kim
Jim Kim
Kelly Kim
Sam Kim



Theresa Klonecky
Jana Knight
Judy Knowlton
Jack Koebig



Shaunna Koenig
Kathy Kojima
Eve Kraus
Marci Krouse



Krissy Williams, Kathy Gelvert, and Kim Ruffell take a step back into the roaring 20's for the Torrance Historical Tour.



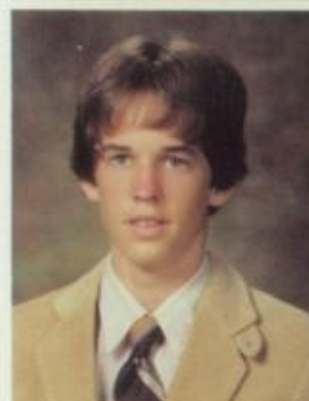
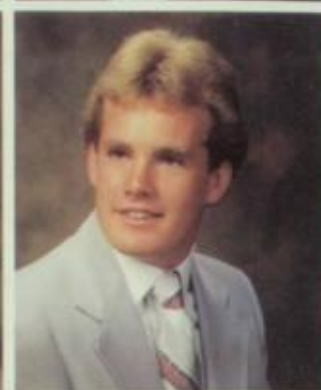
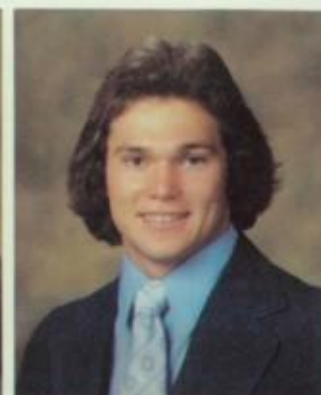
Srs.' Choices Affect Lives

Seniors had to determine what vocation they wanted to pursue after high school. Some chose jobs while others decided to attend various colleges and universities. Students had to make decisions early in the school year in order to meet application deadlines. The filing dates for admission to most schools were November 1, 1981 through November 31, 1981.

Admission to both State colleges and universities were based upon high school grade point average and either the SAT total score or the ACT composite scores. Admission standards varied between the Universities of California and of California State schools. For example, applicants with a 3.2 GPA or better were eligible at all California State schools regardless of test scores, and

they weren't required to take any specific courses. However, for a student to be eligible at UC schools, he had to take at least the minimum requirements, which consisted of four years of English, two years of math, two years of foreign language, and one lab science.

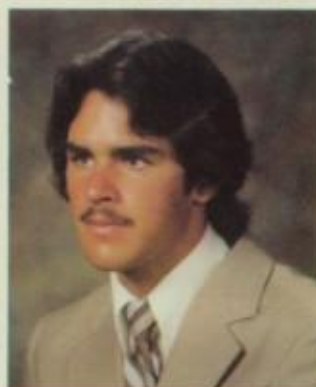
Before students applied to colleges they considered financial expense, what majors the college offered, housing, and how close to home would they be. Cindy Christian said, "I still haven't made my final decision on the college I will attend in the fall, so I sent two applications out, one to UCLA and another to Cal State Long Beach." Nari Rotter commented, "I chose USC because of its reputation, and plus its just close enough to home."



Teri Kuniyuki
James Kuo
William Kuo
Jon Kurosu
Suzanne Lakowski



John Lambert
Jon Landerville
Christine Lant
Annette Lara
Brice Laughney



Kevin Lavezzari
Jill Learman
Jennifer Lee
Paige Leech
Dawn Leigh





Suzette Leveille
Frank Lewin
Susan Licht
Kirk Lillis
Carl Lindahl
Jim Lindborg



Kristi Lovelady
Paul Lloyd
Maiya Logan
Deborah Lotto
Leslie Lisnow
Christina Ludwig



Peter Lujan
Alan Mac Nicol
Todd Malecki
Jennifer Maloy
Mike Manuel
Jacqueline Marin

Senior bests. Top row, Best dressed: **Ronnie Anderson, Phyllis Currier**; Best personality: **Marshall Ozawa, Shaunna Koenig**; Friendliest: **Bobbi Pavis, Barry Kikuno**; Contributed most to school: **Kathy Gelvert, Alan Zafran**; Best looking: **Mike Villasenor, Lisa Casanova**; Most spirited: **Miriam Mintz, Ralph Ramirez**.



Tanya Markham
 Roger Marko
 Michelle Marshall
 Linda Marten
 Stephanie Martin
 Alan Marumoto



Scott Mastroluca
 Natalie Matsumoto
 Robert Mattern
 Felicia Mautz
 Teri McClister
 Duane McClour



Ken McCullough
 Jeff McElhaney
 John McEwen
 James McGarvey
 John McGrew
 Tom McKnight



Good friends make-up the Songleader squad as shown by **Tami Chamberlin, Chandra Ronnie, and Rochelle Noday.**



Germany: Bikes Replace Cars

"I decided to become an exchange student, because I thought it would be interesting to see something different," commented Oliver Meier. American Foreign Studies-exchange student Meier heard about the program in his school in his home town of 30,000 people, Achim, West Germany.

Meier chose to come to the United States because it was different from Germany, yet similar enough to be comfortable in. Teenagers in the U.S. seemed to have to ask their parents more for permission to do things, but enjoyed greater freedom in transportation, since American teens could drive cars, whereas German teens could not and had to depend heavily on their bicycles.

At Torrance High, Meier particularly enjoyed attending

the football games, dances and afterschool activities and participated in the French Club, German Club, News Torch, and the newly formed International Student Club. Meier especially liked being involved in these activities and organizations because they were not offered at his German school. School in Germany was only for studying basic academic subjects, such as math, science and foreign languages. Class electives, sports, clubs and after-school activities simply didn't exist.

If Meier could have taken anything home from the U.S., it would have been California's warm weather and beaches. And when asked how he thought his stay in America would influence him once he returned home he replied, "Hopefully I will be more independent."



Susan McLemore
Mitchell Means
Oliver Meier
Connie Meisel

Karen Mellem
Jennifer Melling
Vivian Mesa
Deborah Mester

Richard Meyer
Anne Miller
Pat Millon
Susan Milostan

Seniors Show Potential

"It's a great honor," "We'll find out if it's true someday," and "I'm very flattered and very surprised," were some of the thoughts expressed by Alan Zafran, and Robyn Powell who were voted Most Likely to Succeed by the class of '82.

Attending UCLA as a communications or journalism major was Powell's goal for the next four years. After that Powell desired to be a creative writer for magazines or newspapers or perhaps even an author. Zafran's plans for the next four years was to go to UC Berkeley or Claremont Men's College, colleges with a strong academic reputation. His major concentration would probably be law and politics in conjunction with business. He hoped that it would eventually lead to a corporate law career or an executive position in a corporation. Zafran, looking even further into the future, stated that he wanted to live a

happy, successful life and have a family.

In spite of having taken honors classes, college preparatory classes, and, maintaining a high grade point average, Powell and Zafran were very athletic as well, Powell highly excelling in cross-country, and Zafran being a top-rated tennis player since his sophomore year.

Their dedication to THS had been most evident. Service League, class council, Annual Staff, and California Scholarship Federation, Powell had tremendously been involved. Zafran was active as well, having been involved in Senior Class Council, Tartar Knights, Lettermen's Club, and CSF.

On top of that, Powell worked throughout the summer and school year at Foxmoor Casuals, and Zafran worked at Clark Drugs. In addition, he tutored students in math and English.



Michelle Mimura
Miriam Mintz
Jeff Mitchell
Roxanne Moeder
Debbie Moerke



Robert Molina
Monica Mora
Susan Morck
Pete Moreno
Stephen Morley



James Morrey
David Mullins
Shaun Murray
Tim Myerchin
Brenda Myner





Deric Nagata
Kevin Nakano
Chris Nanney
Antoinette Nassaway



Elizabeth Neary
Michelle Neese
Lori Neill
Cathy Nishimuta



Rochelle Noday
Raquel Nunez
Susan Obert
Kris Odgers



Paige Leech carefully stabs a carnation on **Barry Kikuno** to honor him at the Top 30 rally.

Brad Ohki
Adriana Olea
Sherry Olmsted
Ronald Omoto
Kellie Onishi
John Ontiveros



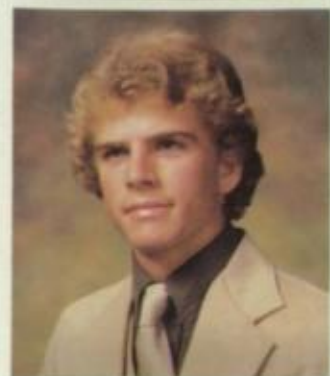
Shari Osborne
Harry Ostoposides
Gary Oullette
Marshall Ozawa
Karen Pagan
Lorena Palacios



Virginia Pardaffy
Gregory Paskal
George Passidakis
Gita Patel
Barbara Pavis
Chris Peaslee



Robby Roberts admires **David Alvarez's** senior portrait.





Tartars Get Headstart

Deborah Mester, Chris Wallraff and Laura Bigham chose to graduate from Torrance High after only three years instead of the customary four.

To anyone considering graduating early Mester advised, "I would not recommend it to anyone unless they really want it." She later replied, "Why cram if you don't need to." Besides her classes she worked at Lindburg Nutrition Center and tutored in her spare time. Mester desired to move out of the house and go to college. She planned on majoring in life science and would like to attend UC Davis.

Although he would probably apply with an undeclared major, Wallraff was considering studying architecture and wanted to attend either USC or the University of California. His advise was to decide early so

you don't have to cram your senior year. Wallraff admitted, "I'm glad I'm graduating early, but with all the extra classes, I have to work harder."

Bigham planned to go into the field of computer programming and took computer classes at SCROC her senior year. She desired to move out of the house and to go to El Camino College part time while working. "I feel I have the need to graduate early so I can start my life and become more independant," expressed Bigham.

Mester, Wallraff and Bigham all had both junior and senior English and Social Studies classes. Although it was difficult, they all agreed that by graduating early they were getting a headstart on their future.



Lyndel Peckum
Rick Perez
Jamie Pettit
Nancy Pettitt
Wilfred Pi



Mike Pickelsimer
Wendy Pickering
Lisa Pischel
Craig Piti
Brian Platisha



Paul Popp
Robyn Powell
Brian Probart
Sue Pursche
Patricia Radovan



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TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL



CLASS OF 1982

IPI Pupils Regret Loss

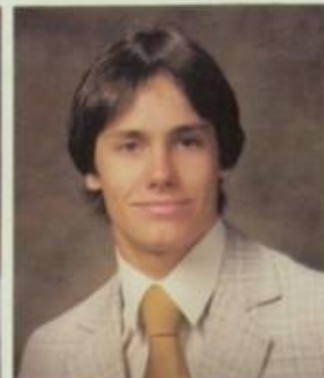
Individualized Program of Instruction was a program that allowed highly motivated students the freedom of planning their schedules, making daily decisions concerning school work, and handling the responsibility of achieving five credits per semester. IPI was cancelled due to the loss of Department Head, Mrs. Nowatka.

Students who were in IPI last year had varied reactions towards the closing of IPI. Virginia Pardaffy commented, "It's an unfortunate loss because it limited students' flexibility in class choice. It stinks!"

Lisa Shoemaker said, "It's bad for those of us who didn't finish classes last year. We had to go to Independent Study during early bird, which cancelled my Latin class."

Independent Study was offered only to students who hadn't received full credit in one of their classes last year. English teacher Charles Slater, Science instructor Charles Pillet, math professor Richard Hulse, and Social Science teacher Patrick Zartman assisted former IPI students who hadn't finished previous courses in their departments.

On the other hand, some students were glad that IPI closed. Kim Foster commented, "Last year I learned to cram! After struggling to finish classes on time last year, I consider the closing of IPI good. Most high school students aren't ready for that kind of responsibility I think it's better to have daily emphasis in each class, not once a week."



Diane Rajca
Ralph Ramirez
Joni Rayburn
Mickey Rineman



Raymond Roberts
John Robinson
Danny Rodriguez
Chris Rohrberg



Chandra Ronnie
Danny Romero
Nari Rotter
Susan Roy





Kimberly Ruffell
Wendy Rupnik
Gail Russell
Diane Sader
Lisa Santo
Stephanie Saracco



Suzanne Sargent
Thomas Sater
Janet Schultz
Lisa Scogins
Teresa Sheldon
Andrew Sheppard



Jay Sherman
Melisa Shoemaker
Eric Silbiger
Daniel Simpson
Gina Sismondo
Susan Soldyn

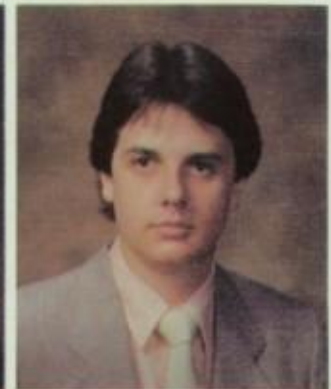


Varsity football players prepare themselves for the next play against South High.

Darby Southgate
Greg Spaan
Valerie Sprague
Kelly Stathouls



Tracey Stauble
James Steingrobe
Sue Steinkamp
Kirk Stephens



Wendy Sterling
Shelley Stevens
Lynne Sticka
Jennifer Stillwell



Varsity cheerleader **Terri Derrickson** leads the football crowd in a victory cheer.



Seniors Scout Talents

The graduating class of 1981-82 was full of talented people, but two seniors with exceptional talent, who were chosen by their peers, were Shirley Alvarez and Barry Gerber.

Shirley Alvarez started her musical ambition when she was twelve and enrolled in a music class at J.H. Hull Middle School. In taking this class, Alvarez started to sing and play the guitar. Singing came naturally to Alvarez, who later joined a choral class in her junior and senior year at Torrance High. She also participated for two years in the T.H.S. talent show. But, one of the greatest joys for Alvarez, was when she sang the Homecoming theme song, "Here I Am", for her senior class.

After high school, Alvarez planned on keeping her musical talent as a hobby, but a very valuable one, as she stated, "Music is a part of my life, and always will be... It's something I

can't live without."

Being multitallented in many activities such as athletics, few people realized the fantastic talent Barry Gerber had for drawing. Drawing ever since he could remember, Gerber started his talent by just doodling around naturally.

In reaching high school, Gerber took a couple of art classes at T.H.S., but to him they really were not much of a help in broadening his artistic skill. So, Gerber expanded his talent on his own, by simply drawing when he had the time or whenever he became bored in class.

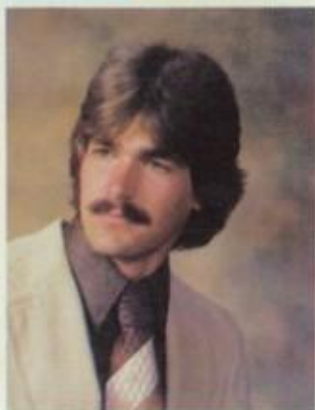
Like Alvarez, Gerber planned on keeping his special talent as a fun, "kick-back" hobby after high school. Gerber commented, "Drawing, to me, is priceless. It keeps me going, makes my mind flow and it lets me express myself freely."



Carolyn Stone
Kenneth Stone
Mike Such
Patrick Such
Shawn Sullivan



Florence Suzuki
Marvin Swanson
Kris Sylvester
Suzanne Tadler
Michael Takahashi



Talvin Dennis
Leah Tanikawa
Dale Taube
Terri Taylor
Liliana Teterycz

Seniors Taste Bit of Germany

Many Torrance High students experienced a taste of the exotic cultures of other countries by simply taking the foreign language classes offered. But a few of them actually had the chance to experience and savor these cultures. Two lucky students, who had this opportunity and took it, were Nari Rotter and Theresa Klonecky.

For Nari Rotter, journeying ten days around Germany and parts of Austria was pure extravagance. She visited exciting cities such as Munich, Heidelberg, Frankfurt, Wurzburg, and Hamburg, in Germany, and Vienna and Salzburg in Austria. But, the place she saw that struck her the most was Hitler's Nest in Salzburg, which was situated high in the mountains.

Since Nari went with an A.F.S. group, she was "student housed" in motels with other students from across the United States. Nari commented, "Traveling this way was another

fun experience besides the trip itself, since I made friends with different kinds of people in different parts of our own country and abroad."

Not only did Theresa Klonecky live in Germany for about a month, but she also traveled to Amsterdam, Holland. While she was in Germany, Theresa stayed with a family in a small village in the northern part of the country. The village was located near the city of Osnobruk and near Bad Iburg, where she attended school for a while.

At the school she went to, Theresa observed that the teenagers were more politically-minded and more conscious of world problems around them than U.S. teens.

All in all, Theresa commented about her trip, "It was a learning experience. I learned about human nature, and more importantly, I learned more about myself. I loved it!!"



Susan Wade
Chris Wallraff
Mary Walsh
Judy Watson
Vicki White



Richard Whited
Mona Whitesell
Greg Wiehe
Cindy Williams
Kristen Williams



Thomas Williams
David Wilson
Brian Winger
Corliss Wolfsberger
Gary Wolverton





Kristi Thornton
Nancy Titiriga
Julie Tokashiki
Steven Tomoike
Beth Townsend
Tai Tran



Trent Trapp
Danny Trujillo
Jennifer Turnberg
Kevin Tyler
John Tyrrell
James Urwin



Henry Uzarowicz
Robert Vaage
Debra Verbeck
Lars Viklund
Michael Villasenor
Jennifer Waddell



Mike Villasenor and **Lisa Casanova** smile happily upon being chosen Best looking.

Sacramento: Seniors' Classroom

American Legion Post sponsored the summer '81 Boys' State and Girls' State at the historical Sacramento State University. Alan Marumoto, and Terri Derrickson were selected from Torrance High School.

Marumoto and Derrickson had the opportunity to participate in their own governments. For example, Marumoto was on the Board of Health committee, and lost in a runoff for the Federalist party chairman. Derrickson, on the other hand, was on the Burbank Bulfrogs City Council. They both gained a tremendous amount of knowledge about the governmental functions and politics. Marumoto commented, "The system used is fantastic, but it still needs some adjustments." Derrickson enthusiastically stated, "It's excellent." Not only was she able to understand many functions of government by experience, but she also made some really special friends. She

said, "The friends I made were the best. They really cared about their school and the ways in which more people would get involved."

Barry Buss, selected as an alternate to Boys State, went to California Civitan in Sacramento. He also learned about the political systems through speakers, media, seeing the State Capitol building, and visiting with Assemblyman Gerald Felando, and State Senator Bob Beverly. Buss was impressed by the legislature, because he said that they were "happening people." They made things happen for the state. A tour of Sacramento, couple dances, pizza parties, a talent show, and ice cream socials were among many other activities Buss was able to enjoy, as well as observing governmental procedures. Buss unbelievably stated, "I really got interested in politics."

Patrick Woodman
Michael Wurzell
Jon Yamada
Pat Yancey



Marc Ybarra
Tom Yi
Carlene Yoshida
Alan Zafran



Suellen Zelhart





1. David Alvarez "chugalugs" his root beer during Howdy Week's relay race. **2. Barry Kikuno** tests the safety of the science building stairs as **Ralph Ramirez** takes a safer alternate route. **3. Robert Rodriguez, Frank Lewin** and **Gary Morris** are caught off guard

discussing Friday night's football strategy. **4.** Amused, Annual Staffer **Liz Neary** gets ready to hand out a pile of photography assignments. **5.** Office aide **Mike Villasenor** takes a moment's rest from his work to think about his plans for the upcoming weekend.

Dedicated Senior Council Speaks Out For Grads' Privileges

The purpose of the Senior Class Council was best expressed by its president, Alan Zafran, "to serve the Class of '82 by planning and organizing all traditional senior events, raising funds for such events, determining class colors, seal and motto, and serving as a government forum, open to all Seniors who wish to voice an opinion." With the help of his "efficient and enthusiastic" council of 16 members and their sponsors, Mrs. Pat Wright and Mr. Graham Buck, he strove for this refreshingly impressive goal. Activities and fundraisers included a raffle, the Howdy Dance, the Pajama Dance, the Powderpuff game, and a Valentine Flower sale. They also planned and organized Senior Prom, Brunch, Baccalaureate and Graduation.

There were many ways in which Seniors who were not on council became involved. Interested students attended meetings as student government representatives, giving input by participating in discussions, voting in senior surveys, and supporting senior-sponsored events. The council often found themselves pleading cases to the administration for their class. After many discussions between council members and administrators, modifications in the

graduation ceremony, which was originally severely restricted, were granted. In order to stress the dress code for the Pajama Dance, a controversial first, Zafran agreed to display his own maroon and grey pajamas in the Activities Office window.

Commissioner of Publicity, Liz Neary summarized, "Although it is impossible to please everyone, I feel we were a very productive council."

Zafran added, "What I originally thought would be a simple, foolish, student government position has quickly become an incredibly demanding job, both in terms of time and energy. Few, if any, could possibly realize the amount of time I have spent as President. Nevertheless, I would never change my experiences for anything. As a result of my involvement, I feel that I have both made more friends and grown fonder of THS and the seniors than I ever could have imagined."

Student Government Representative Marshall Ozawa agreed, "Our council got to be great friends. All our arguing and decision-making only brought us closer together. The comraderie really showed in everything we did, and made our activities more fun than work."



1. President **Alan Zafran** turns to his council for suggestions. 2. Fall Senior Class Council. Front Row: Student Government Representative **Dave Gilroy**, Student Government Rep. **Marshall Ozawa**, Student Government Rep. **Diana Dolson**, ICC Representative **Kathy Kamiya**, Commissioner of Publicity **Liz Neary**, Student Government Rep. **Steve Boschetti**, Historian

Tom Yi. Second Row: Commissioner of Special Events **Mike Manuel**, Historian **Shaunna Koenig**, Service League Representative **Nari Rotter**, Student Government Rep. **Victor Cochiaro**, Secretary **Kim Ruffell**, Treasurer **Dana Harris**, President **Alan Zafran**, Vice President **Terri Derrickson**. 3. Vice President **Terri Derrickson** gives her, "I can't believe these guys" look.



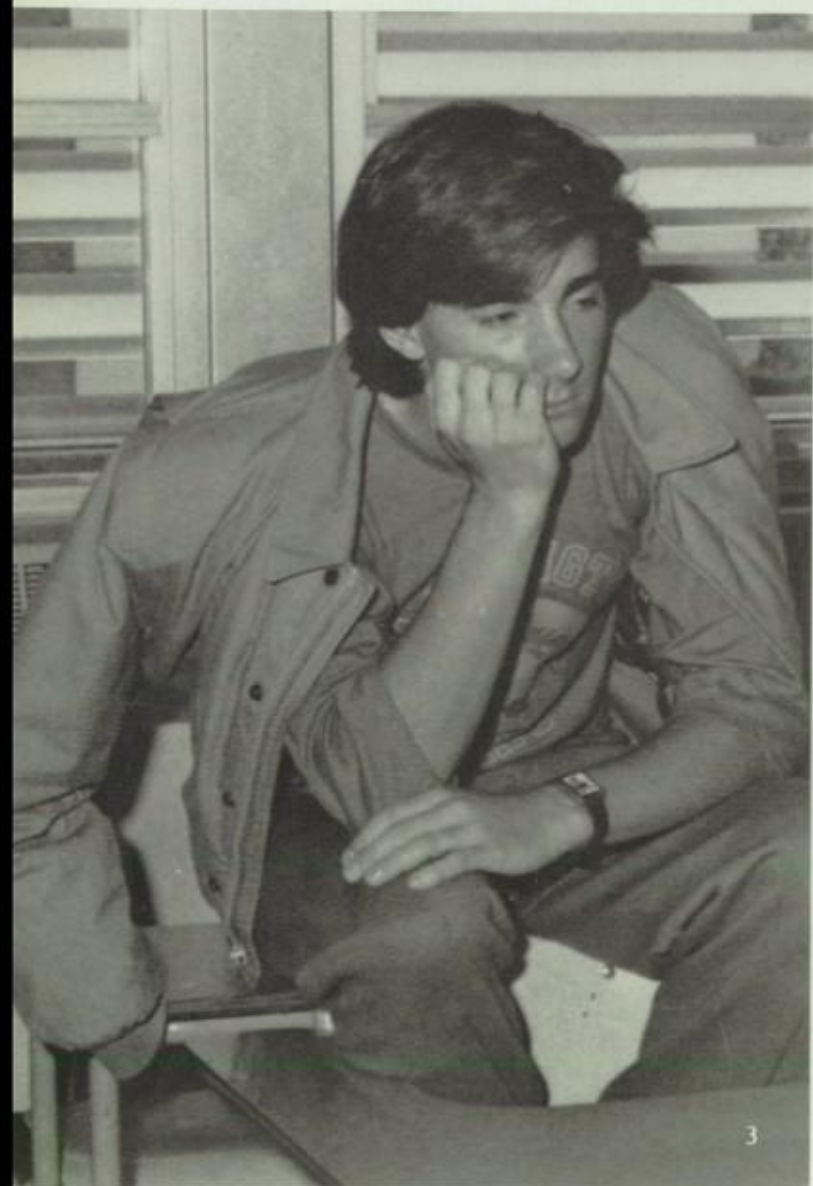


1. Spring Senior Class Council. Front Row: Student Gov. Rep. **Cathy Nishimuta**, ICC Rep. **Kathy Kamiya**, President **Alan Zafran**, Vice President **Kim Ruffell**, Historians **Shaunna Koenig** and **Tom Yi**. Second Row: Commissioner of Publicity **Cindy Christian**, Student Gov. Rep.

Victor Cochiaro, Secretary **Nari Rotter**, Commissioner of Special Events **Dana Harris**. 2. Treasurer **Dana Harris** tells Commissioner of Special Events **Mike Manuel** to "hit the road" if he doesn't like her idea.



1. Suffering from a bad case of senioritis, is **Marcela Arancibia**. 2. Buddies forever are **Donelle Cucchi, Kathy Kojima, Amber Bowers,** and **Ted Allison**. 3. Tired and bored, **Lars Viklund** struggles through another class.



Seniors Achieved The "Impossible"

Noah Webster saw a senior as, "a member of the highest class in an university, college, or high school." Poor Noah!! He had no idea what it's like to be a senior, better yet, a Torrance High Senior! The upperclassmen at T.H.S., like any other high school, had its share of "jocks," "rah-rahs," "brains," "loners," and, of course, those girls/boys "next door." People will remember these ordinary seniors, but what about those exceptional ones, the ones who overcame the impossible and achieved what no student has done before. Those special, unknown students were the ones who could look back and say at their reunions that they: memorized every theorem,

postulate, and corollary in geometry; come in at the semester of Mrs. Jeffrey's accounting class and come out with an "A"; found the "Cliff's Notes" to every novel, play, or short story read in English class; were never caught off-guard in Mr. Hulse's algebra class; won a round in the "arena" against Mr. Boerger; did not have his/her I.D. card, readmit, or homework go through the wash; and the achievement of all, to had never fell asleep in class, especially government.

It was obvious to see that Torrance High had unique twelfth graders who were giving a new meaning to the word "senior".



1. At the seniors Top 30 rally, **Tami Chamberlain** congratulates **Chandra Ronnie** for making the Top 15 girls. 2. Foreign exchange student **Oliver Meier** is still amazed by some of the American girls. 3. Seniors **Ronnie Anderson, Barry Kikuno, Rob Boldt,** and **Mike Villasenor** are catching "frog fever" at a Howdy Week pep rally. 4. **Judie Watson** is amused by **Bill Randles's** floating eye.

Clubs Provide Detail For Events

A wide variety of organizations provides a chance for every student to become involved with a subject that interests him. Clubs may cover any subject from student government, to electronics, to service and spirit organizations. Every year new clubs are added to the roster, providing new opportunities for more students to participate. As a result of this added participation, the entire school is brought closer together and through this joint effort, much more can be accomplished.

Involvement is important to the individual as well. For instance, through a student's active role in an organization, he learns how to get along well with others as well as developing leadership abilities for himself. A student uses this time of involvement in the same manner an artist continually adds refining details in order to achieve a higher level of realness. It is during this period that a student refines his own ideas, values, and ideals.

1. ICC members, **Kathy Kamiya** and **Alan Zafran**, carefully listen to the business at hand. 2. **Julie Tokashiki** cautiously handles an apple fritter at the Letterman's Club donut sale. 3. Annual Staff members, **Dave Gillen** and **Kellie Onishi**, listen as editor **Cindy Christlan** explains a yearbook principle.



ORGANIZATIONS

Steve,

I hope you had fun
playing basketball. I
remember you from the JV
team.

If Pete were here, I'm
sure he'd wish you much
luck in the future.

Have a great vacation
and enjoy the rest of your
years at JHS.



Associated Student Body Learns To Cope With Crises

Student government is often defined as a learning process, and the Associated Student Body Council certainly received an education in politics. The fall council worked under the direction of three different Activity Directors in one semester.

George Cannady, who had held the position for two years, was abruptly promoted to Vice Principal at a local middle school early in October. "It was during our busiest time and the man who puts it all together was taken away," remarked fall council ASB President Kathy Gefvert. It was definitely a busy time. Football season had just started and both the Homecoming and Halloween Dances were less than a month away.

After three transitional days, English teacher Mr. Gary Breese stepped in as Temporary Activities Director. Under his guidance, the council made it through what Breese good-humoredly described as "Two dances, a burglary and riot." The council celebrated successes such as the Halloween Dance and suffered a few disasters. They weathered

through together and adopted Breese's ability to laugh at the sometimes trying circumstances. "He was an easy-going, fun guy and made sure everything that needed to be done was done," Tartar Knight Captain Tom Yi reflected.

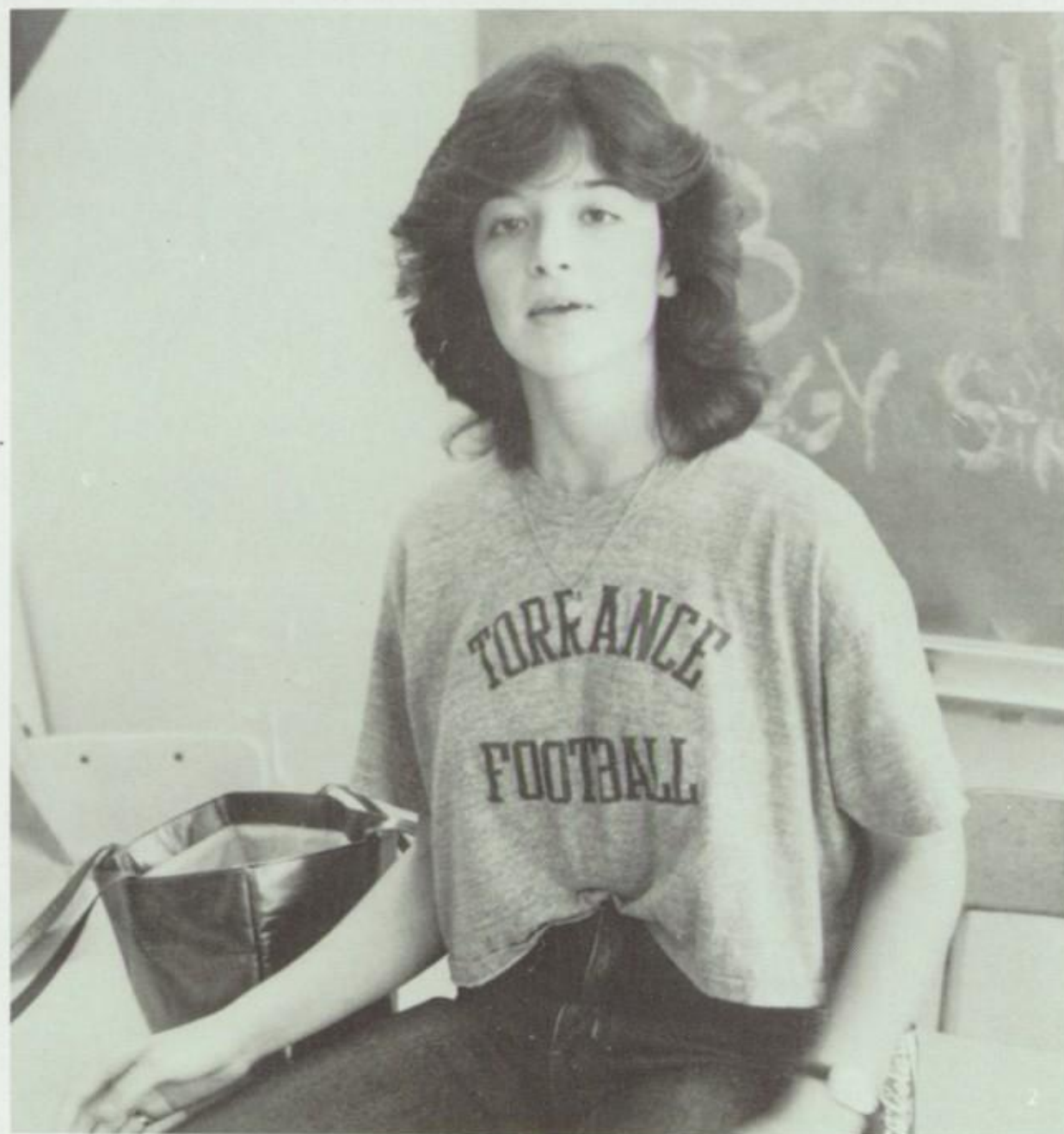
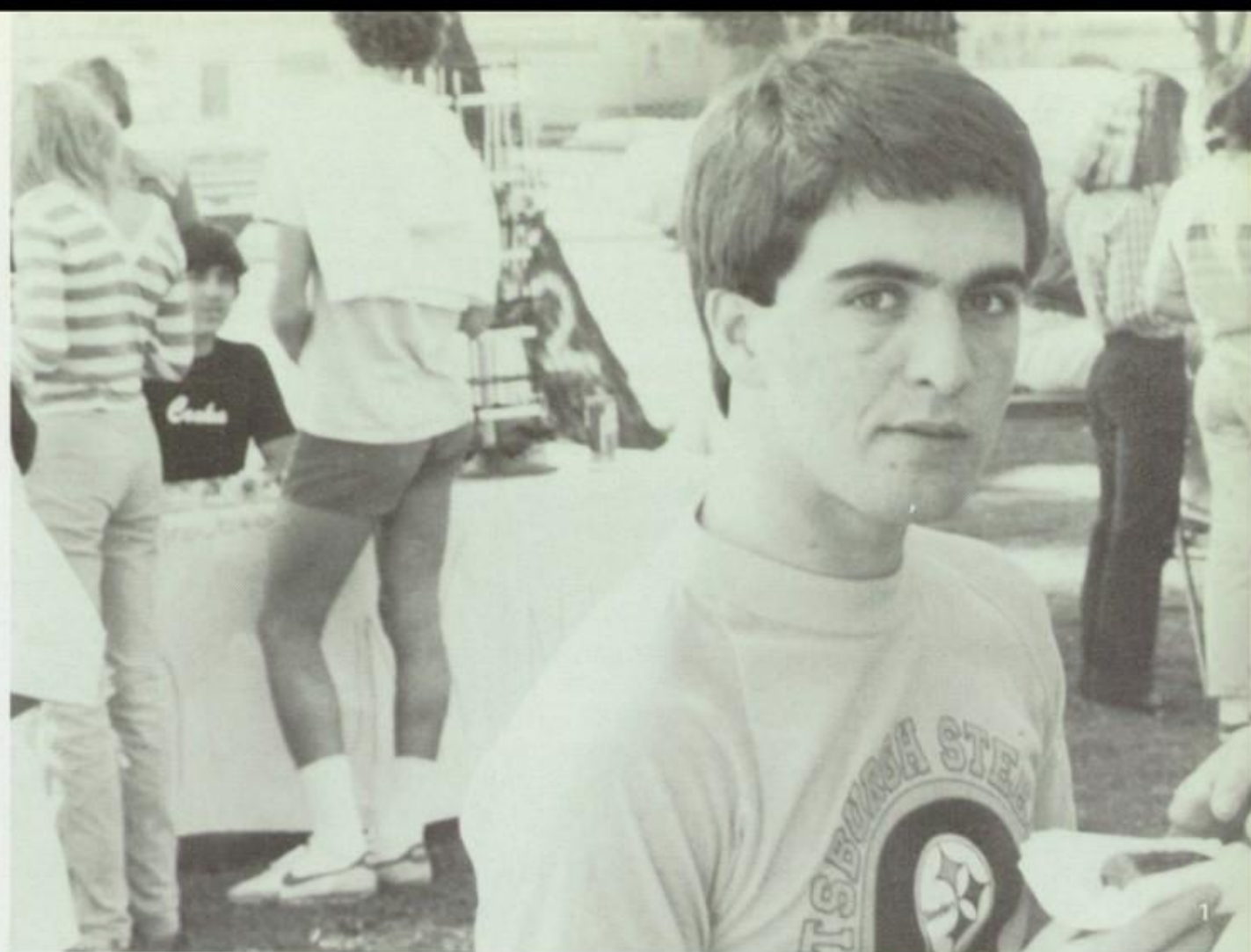
One month later a permanent head of activities, Mr. John O'Brien arrived from North High School, where he previously taught government. He stayed through the end of the fall semester and remained throughout the year.

Spring Council President Marshall Ozawa commented, "It's rough; people on council are used to doing things their own way. He was sometimes hesitant, but now that he's seen more, he trusts us more in terms of our abilities. Considering he came from another school, I feel he's done a good job. He tries to treat everybody on the same basis." Annual Staff Representative Cindy Christian described him as a "nice person" and predicted that with more experience, "he will make an excellent activities director."



1. ASB Spring Council. Front Row: Treasurer **Mike Manuel**, Senior Class Pres. **Alan Zafran**, News Torch Rep. **John McGrew**, Commissioner of Publicity for Athletics **Rob Roberts**, AFS Rep. **Pim Jansen**, Freshman Pres. **Julie Claxton**, Commissioner of Athletics **Paige Leech**, Service League Pres. **Robyn Powell**, Vice Pres. **Greg Fong**. Second Row: Commissioner of Publicity **Becca Arnado**, ICC Pres. **Alan Marumoto**, Junior Class Pres. **Stacy Ryono**, Executive Secretary **Terri Derrickson**, Tartar Lady Queen **Cathy Nishimuta**, Annual Rep. **Cindy Christian**. Sophomore Class Pres. **Regina Talmo**, Tartar Knight Captain **Tom Yi**. 2. Fall and Spring Council Presidents **Kathy Gefvert** and **Marshall Ozawa** express mutual frustration at the Faculty Continental Breakfast. 3. ASB Fall Council. Front Row: Service League Pres. **Robyn Powell**, Junior

Class Pres. **Claudia Bonilla**, Commissioner of Athletics **Paige Leech**, Historian **Julie Tokashiki**, Tartar Lady Queen **Cathy Nishimuta**. Second Row: Secretary **Cheryl Ono**, Sophomore Class Pres. **Cindy Powell**, Freshman Class Pres. **Mi-K Kim**, Secretary **Terri Derrickson**, Commissioner of Publicity **Chandra Ronnie**, Commissioner of Pep **Miriam Mintz**, Vice Pres. **Rochelle Noday**, Treasurer **Linda Fox**, Commissioner of Special Events **Phyllis Currier**, President **Kathy Gefvert**, Activity Secretary **Anita Jacobsen**. Third Row: Temporary Activity Director **Gary Breese**, Tartar Knight Captain **Tom Yi**, Activity Director **John O'Brien**, AFS Rep. **Pim Jansen**, Historian **Dean Spizziri**, Senior Class Pres. **Alan Zafran**, Commissioner of Publicity for Athletics. **Marshall Ozawa**, News Torch Rep. **John McGrew**, ICC Pres. **Alan Marumoto**.



1. Historian **Dean Spizziri** takes a break from photographing the Spirit Spectacular. 2. Sophomore Class Pres. **Regina Talmo** is

caught hiding in the ASB workroom during a meeting.

Enthusiastic Members Make Service League Successful

"Who can be in Service League? Anyone who wants to come, put in their opinions and help work," replied Robyn Powell, president of the club. Composed of 40 girls who met together on Tuesdays, Service League contributed to the school by planning Freshman Orientation, the Homecoming Dance and the Sweetheart's Ball, giving the profits to ASB.

Many girls found that planning and organizing these important events was more work than they expected. Lisa St. Amand commented, "Doing all the couple cards for Homecoming was just . . . crazy. Because couples bought their tickets late, it seemed like everything was done at the last minute." But the club had many enthusiastic workers that helped. In fact, one member even wrote a threatening letter asking to be used in the projects!

"Although the pressures and lists of things to do are sometimes nerve-racking, we really have fun putting together an entire dance: setting the date, time and place; choosing the color scheme, the song theme and band; and then turning a profit!" explained Powell.

Unknown to many students, the Inter-Club Council, ICC, played a major part in ASB by coordinating all the activities and fund raisers of the different organizations at Torrance High.

Several clubs wished to hold one of the popular, profitable flower sales. To avoid an overabundance of flower sales, ICC asked each club's representative to petition and reveal to the council why his particular club needed the sale. In this way, ICC was able to distribute sales fairly and plan diverse activities for the student body.

In addition to coordinating school functions, the council organized Spirit Spectacular on February 10, in which the assortment of school organizations set up fund-raising booths. The council also assisted in the Head Start program and the Christmas window painting contest.

"Because of the devoted representatives in the council, we had one of the most, if not the most, productive years financially for all the clubs," reflected president Alan Marumoto.



1. Service League. First row: **T. Derrickson, R. Powell, M. Mintz, R. Noday, R. Talmo, P. Currier, N. Rotter, L. Neary, H. Larson;** Second row: **K. Gefert, C. Yoshida, C. Nelson, D. Miller, L. St. Amand, S. Semon, L. Barker, C. Kasterko.** Third row: **C. Vobre, K. Rotter, D. Little, J. Schwartz, E. Marcroft, L. O'Hara, K.**

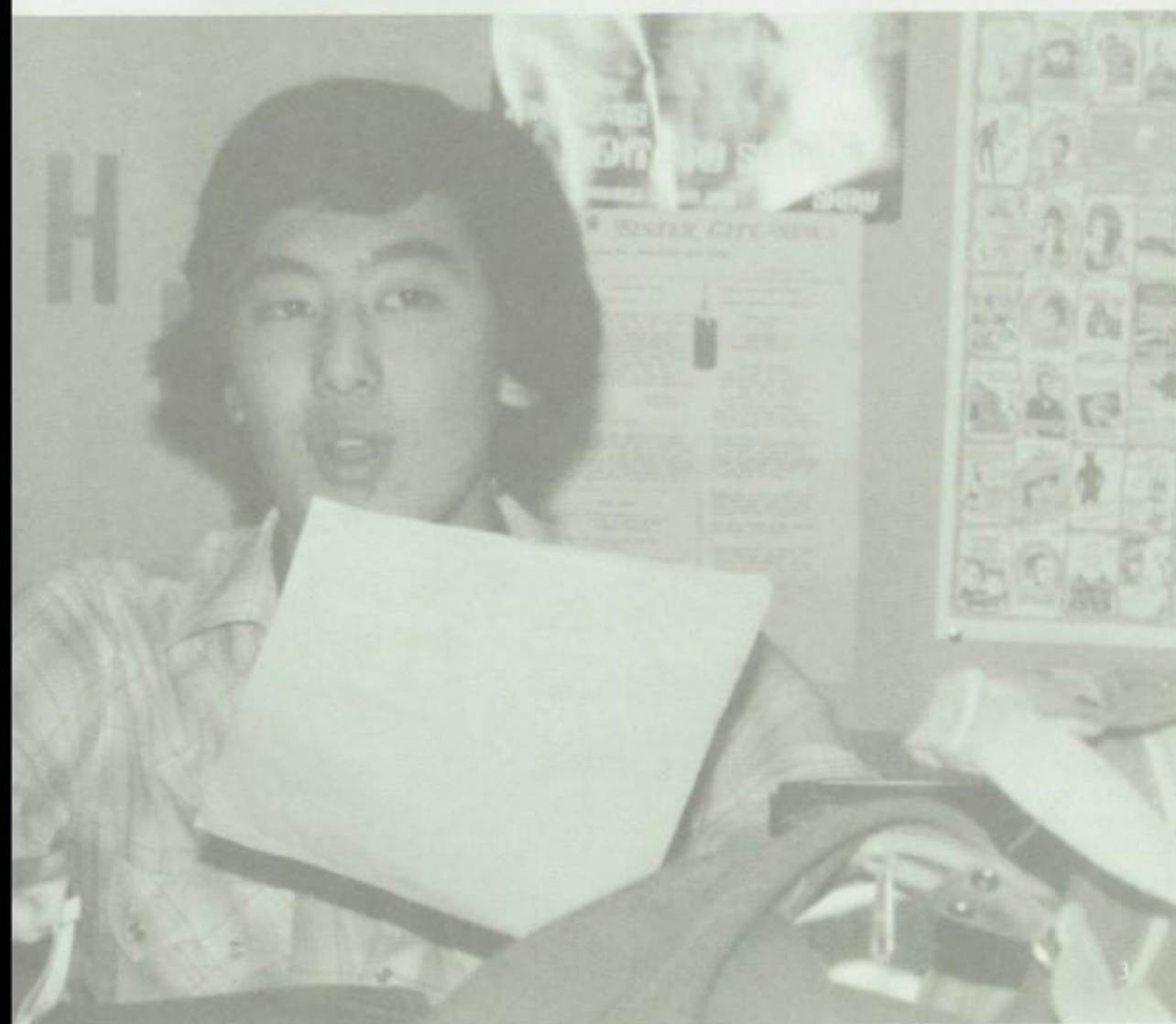
Schooley, M. Sloan, M. Lauchner, L. Trowbridge. Fourth row: **T. Troke, E. Basmajian, J. Costa, J. Tamada, C. Powell, L. Reno, M. Lee, V. Kato, T. Smith.** 2. Service League president **Robyn Powell** says, "I want you to help decorate for Sweethearts!" during a Service League meeting.





3. Buried in piles of paperwork and books, ICC president **Alan Marumoto** leads a deep discussion in an important council meeting. 4. **Tami Chamberlain** decides if she should suggest another flower sale or not in ICC. 5.

Inter-Club Council. Front row: **Carlene Yoshida, Steve Silbiger, Linda Barker, Tina Puente, Jerry Buss, Alan Marumoto**. Back row: **Sam Kim, Donna Drake, Monique Marcoux, Victor Cocchiaro, Dana Marsh, Tom Bulowski**.



Lettermen Get An "A" In Having Fun

"One more noise and I'm going to start pointing, and then you're gone!" Paige Leech, president of the Lettermen's Club, was known for continually using this phrase to establish order in the club of 75 varsity athletes, who "lettered" in their particular sport and earned the right to be in the club. Although she seemed to be a strict president to some members, her efforts were rewarded with greater attendance and more involvement from the members.

Having fun was the main goal of the club, attained by holding a pancake breakfast and later a picnic lunch held in Wilson Park and concluded with a massive water fight. The Lettermen's Club also sponsored the Student vs. Faculty Basketball Game played on December 15. The students, led by Derek Jang, Mike Such and Greg Wiehe, suffered a 112 to 42 defeat against coaches "Tiny" Little and "Chip" Roberson, and the other faculty players.

Unlike the Lettermen's Club, Student Congress was concerned about the welfare of the entire student body. During the congress meetings, held

every other Wednesday during third period, the elected representatives were able to voice ideas from their fellow students about improving the school and enjoying more activities. Under the leadership of president Rochelle Noday, the 45 members discussed requests such as repairing restroom mirrors, installing telephones near the gyms, and reopening the upper campus snack machines. The meetings also informed representatives of upcoming special events and activities. "I enjoy working hard and giving my time to Student Congress. It's a very important organization at T.H.S. because it keeps students in touch with what is happening in ASB," commented Noday.

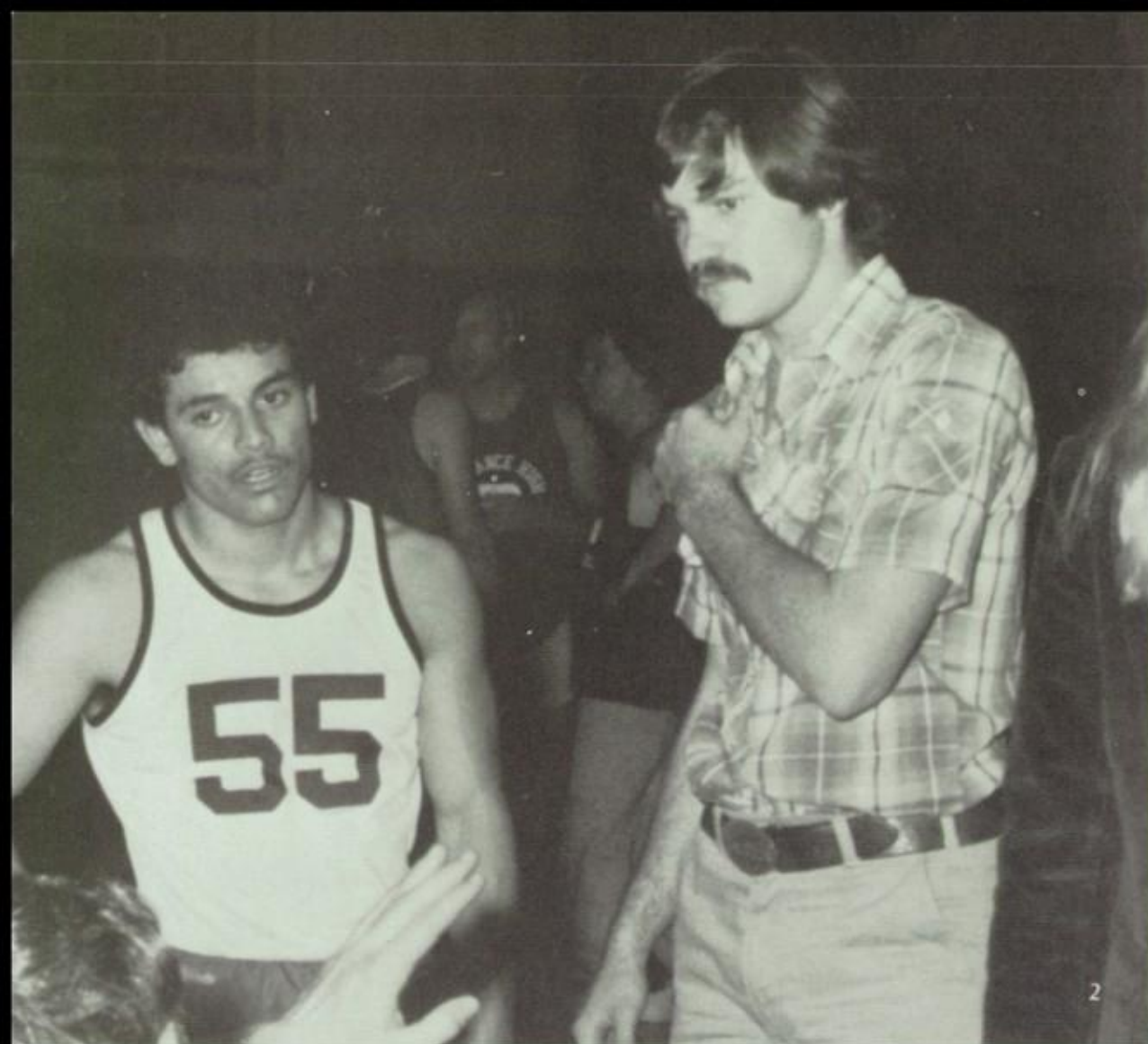
Helping to organize Headstart in December by buying coloring books and dressing up as Christmas elves was one of the Congress' main achievements. They also went to see the game show, "Battlestars" being filmed at NBC studios. "Going to 'Battlestars' with a bunch of people from the same school was really neat," reflected Lisa Reno.



1. First semester Student Congress president **Rochelle Noday** talks over matters privately with **Lars Viklund**, vice president, during a congress meeting. 2. **Greg Wiehe**, **Ralph Ramirez**, and **Paul Popp** take a time-out to plan strategy with teammates during the Student vs. Faculty Basketball game. 4. Student Congress. Front row: **R. Noday, S. Koenig**.

Second row: **H. Neu, S. Hollis, D. Cucci, J. McNeal, D. Salinger, D. Miller, B. Lunschen, K. Kwan**. Third row: **D. Larson, M. Kubes, J. Maloy, S. Ryono, M. Koehn, M. Marcoux, M. Ozawa, M. Manuel, L. Neary**. Fourth row: **K. Henderson, L. Barker, G. Silver, M. Lee, T. Smith, J. Janoski, D. Chavez, J. Tanyi, P. Currier**.





3. **Pat Such** enjoys Head Start with two "little rascals." 5. Lettermen's Club. First row: **D. Gillen, F. Rizzo, M. Romero, M. Saucedo, T. Henderson, B. Kikuno, R. Ramirez, D. Drake, D. Alvarez, R. Anderson.** Second row: **P. Popp, S. Gerbasl, G. Almeida, C. Kevany, M. Marcoux, P. Lobb, L. Bradford, H. Pagkalianawan, N. Aoki,** Third row: **T. Stevenson, D. Uyematsu, M. Villasenor, R. Noday, L. Fox, R. Roberts, J. Tokashiki, A. Chavez, A. Chavez, D. Rosas, S. Mann, L. Torres, L. Roberson, S. Brennen, P. Leech.** Fourth row: **B. Snodgrass, D. Rutherford, D. Henderson, R. Boldt, R. Powell, D. Trujillo, M. Wurzell, D. Hatakeyama, D. Gilroy, K. Hirsch, G. Fong, A. Zafran, C. Smith, N. Rotter, D. Chang, K. Copeland, K. Badley.** In tree: **H. Martin, S. Koenig, D. Barrella, M. Jones, M. Ozawa, T. Perdew, G. Wells, J. Schmidt.**



Bagels Succeed For Tartar Knights, Ladies

"Will you please have six girls at the football game to sell programs for the Booster Club?"

"Can you sell and collect tickets at the basketball game Friday night?"

"I know it's such short notice, but will you serve pies at the baseball banquet tonight?"

"We're having problems with students screaming in the halls, and littering the stairs, will you please stand post at the annex, main building, and the library?"

The Tartar Knights and Ladies, with great pleasure and without fail, answered to such calls as these. They were major contributors to the smooth running of many school activities, since they sold and collected tickets at football and basketball games, and dances. In addition, they stood post at numerous pep rallies and school

functions, including Back-to-School Night, sports rallies Top 30, Top 10, the Achievement Awards, and Prom Court.

Bagels were the Tartar Ladies' and Knights' number one fundraiser. They raised approximately \$250. Because of their tremendous success, many of the other clubs started to sell bagels also. However, many students and teachers felt that the Tartar Ladies and Knights' bagels were the largest and freshest. They held fundraisers such as this to raise money for the Tartar Lady Reunion, and the Sweethearts' Ball.

Service was the main concentration of the Tartar Knights. Tom Yi commented, "The Tartar Knights are dedicated people. I think the organization deserves more recognition for all the work they do."



1. Tartar Knights. Front row: **Thomas Bulowski, Brett Noone, Steve Lee, Randy Albanese, Steve Silbiger, Dion Poling, Mark Prow, Dana Marsh, Tommy Young, Charles Lee.** Second row: **Eric Kuo, Nolan Ng, Richard Hamada, Scott Nishimura, Arthur Amezcua, Mark Mihaljevich, Bryon Okada, Robert Nishimuta, Scott Zafran.** Third row: **Steve Sasaki, David Wood, Don Chang, James Kuo, Mitch Means, Wilfred Pi, Robert Hunter.** Fourth row: **Young**

Chang, Gary Wolverton, Mike Takahashi, Alan Marumoto, Alan Zafran, Sam Kim, Greg Fong, Becca Arnado, Barry Kikuno, Marshall Ozawa, Dave Gilroy, Chris Wallraff, Peter Chong, William Kuo, Tom Yi, Derek Jang, Dennis Kamikawa. 2. Tartar Lady **Michelle Mimura** asks, "May I have your ticket?" at the basketball game. 3. **Tom Yi** carefully paints the window to create the Christmas spirit.



1. Tartar Knight and Lady fall/spring Cabinet. Front row: **Gwen Galeon, Alice Sun, Kathy Kamiya.** Second row: **Cathy Nishimuta, Michelle Mimura, Alan Zafran, Tom Yi, Derek Jang, Renee Mimura, June Kikuchi.** Not pictured: **Mike Takahashi, Sam Kim.** **2.** Tartar Ladies. Front row: **Cathy Nishimuta, Michelle Mimura, Alice Sun, Linda Barker, Kellie Onishi, Gita Patel, Jackie Prophet, Yo-shiun Kuo, Carol Otani, Karen Muck.** Second row: **Ann Park, June Kikuchi, Ronite Gluck, Wen-Hsin Chang, Heidi Larson, Sharon Yoon, Kim Keldser, Kathy Kamiya.** Third row: **Ellen Brown, Debi Little, Lisa Clark, Grace Yang, Hilda Chan, Kay Noma, Renee Mimura, Melissa Bello, Mrs. Wright.** **3.** Tartar Knight **Sam Kim,** and Tartar Lady **Kellie Onishi** work together to make the bagel sale a success.



1. Songleader **Deda Kladouris** in action at a basketball game. 2. Varsity Songleaders: **Wendy Rupnik, Deda Kladouris, Tami Chamberlain, Lisa Hayakawa, Captain Chandra Ronnie, Rochelle Noday**. 3. Varsity Cheerleader **Bobbi Pavis** relishes the zany work of a rah-rah.



"Rah-Rah" ing, Not Always "Ha-Ha"-ing

When asked her opinion on what cheerleading was, Varsity Cheerleader Bobbi Pavis humorously exclaimed, "Cheerleading is a way to express your craziness while sticking up for your school!" Bobbi has obviously been having fun "expressing her craziness," since she and Songleading Captain Chandra Ronnie were the only members to be on Pep Squad for three years, the maximum time one could be on it.

Cheering at football and basketball games; packing "goodie bags" for the inseason athletes; performing dance routines at pep rallies; and holding fundraisers like car washes and flower sales may sound fun and exciting, but to Varsity Cheerleaders and Songleaders it's not all that easy. This can be explained better by Varsity Cheerleading Captain Kristi Thornton, who stated, "Cheerleading is much more difficult than it appears; for example, it's very time consuming and costly, but most of all, it's dealing with the feedback from the school, sometimes positive and sometimes negative . . ." Head Captain of the Pep Squad during the first semester, Kathy Gefvert added in, "Before anyone tries out for the Pep Squad,

she should realize the responsibility and commitment that she is taking on. There is a lot more work to it than people were aware of; not just cheering at the games." Not only did the Varsity Cheerleaders and Songleaders "deal with the feedback from the school," but they were also considered the examples of T.H.S. Thus, certain rules applied to them. For example, they were not allowed to have "F's" or "U's" as a part of their grades; to miss a required event without a valid excuse; or wear their uniforms in public. A violation of any of the rules resulted in either a demerit or a temporary suspension. Receiving four demerits was an automatic suspension. Unfortunately, this action, suspension, had been taken against some of the Pep Squad members.

All aspects considered, most of the cheerleaders agreed that being on Pep Squad was a rewarding experience. This feeling was best put into words by Songleader Tami Chamberlain, "All the time and work we put into practicing, and everything else, was worth the closeness we have within our squad and the players we've cheered for."



1. First semester captain of Pep Squad, **Kathy Gefvert**, and sponsor, **Mrs. Wright**, ponder over a situation. 2. Members of the Pep Squad express their true spirit to Torrance High. 3. Varsity Cheerleaders: **Kathy Gefvert**, **Terri Derrickson**, **Carrie Caillier**, **Carlene Yoshida**, Captain **Kristi Thornton**, **Bobbi Pavis**.

Spirited Junior Varsity Squad's Experiences: "So Special"

The Junior Varsity Pep Squad, guided by their "super" sponsor, Mrs. Pat Wright, and consisting of the Junior Varsity Cheerleaders, the Twirl Flags and the mascot, all agreed the purpose of their individual squads was to promote school spirit by getting everyone involved, and to support mainly the junior varsity and freshman-sophomore teams. Mascot Lisa Reno felt her purpose was to "add something different," and JV Cheer captain Stacy Ryono mentioned getting the crowd more enthused. However, as the Twirl Flag captain Felicia Mautz explained, "Most of all we represent Torrance High in everything we do."

The Junior Varsity worked as individual squads in unison with the entire Pep Squad. They participated in all the fundraisers, which included selling cookbooks. They also participated as a whole at pep rallies and individually in competitions. Although they considered themselves very much a coalition of Pep, each squad had its own identity.

Twirl Flags enjoyed competing with other schools in their made-up routines. Mautz felt, "It is a very good experience and we learn what we need to improve on to give the most to our school." They also planned on competing in the Miss Drill Team competition in March. Mautz explained that Twirl Flag team tryouts were held once a year, usually in April, with the

tryouts for cheerleading and songleading. After the squads were picked, its members voted for a captain, and "she will have many responsibilities and challenges before her."

The JV Cheers enjoyed participating at a Hibbard's competition at Arroyo High School. When asked about tryouts, Ryono gave this advice, "I feel anyone interested in trying out for Pep Squad should try very hard and realize that it takes a lot of time and dedication." As captain, she was surprised by the difficulty of the position; "You have to learn how to compromise and how to be partial to everyone." However, all in all, she felt, "It was a really good experience."

Reno, on the other hand, found her "squad", "very quiet and always agreeing with me." She participated in all the rallies and games and, "the parties!" Tryouts for her were, "dramatic and nerve-racking" and "the most scary thing in the world!" Of all her experiences, cheer camp was the most remembered. She exclaimed, "I wouldn't have traded those four days for anything!"

Unwillingness to trade their experiences for anything seemed to be a common feeling of all the Junior Varsity Pep Squad members. They described their year as, "so special" and "a heck of a lot of fun!"



1. JV Cheers **Stacy Ryono, Linda Barker** and **Lisa St. Amand** "shoot 'em like the army does" at a JV basketball game. 2. Twirl Flags practice a new routine in the dance room mirror. 3. JV

Cheerleaders. Center: **Denise Larson**. Back Row: **Nancy Sung, Stacy Ryono, Lisa St. Amand, Linda Barker, Susan Hollis**.





1. Mascot **Lisa Reno**. 2. Twirl Flags. Front Row: **Debbie Graham, Lisa Gillard, Susan Oh**. Back Row: **Felicia Mautz, Cindy Powell, Sheri Semon**.





1. Pep Club members think THS is number one.
2. Drill Team. Left back row: **Jackie Prophet**, **Grace Yang**, **Stephanie Pritchett**, **Jill Frandsen**, **Allison Snow**, **Janet Wagner**, **Sharon Stinson**. Left front row: **Yo-Shiun Kuo**, **Amy Arnold**, **Wendy Kashitani**, **Cindy Kasterko**, **Vicki White**. Right back row: **Carrie Frandsen**, **Laurie Paulus**, **Steffanie**

Richardson, **Sharon Yoon**, **Kim Learman**, **Fiona Barclay**, **Lisa Santini**. Right front row: **Irene Barraza**, **Cathie Hand**, **Becky Prewitt**, **Marla Wissinger**, **Leah Burnham**. Center: Co-Captain **Shelley Weeks**, Captain **Cindy Christian**, Sgt. at Arms **Marilyn Wagner**. 3. Drill Team members arrive early for an important football game at Rolling Hills High.

Drill Team, Pep Club Boost Tartars' Spirit

Promoting school spirit was the main goal of the Pep Club. Wearing their elite white sweatshirts, the 50 members met on Thursdays and every other Monday to learn cheers and talk about upcoming football games and events they were to attend and cheer at. The club's fall president, Commissioner of Pep Miriam Mintz, helped organize meetings and led efforts to go to the away games via the rooter bus. "I felt at the beginning of the year the spirit at THS was outrageous. Pep Club had a lot of umpf!" recalled Mintz.

The second semester's Pep Club got off to a great start by hosting the Rubik's Cube contest at Spirit Spectacular, where Kirk Copeland conquered his cube in 1:05 minutes. The club made plans to cheer at the varsity baseball games and scheduled an end-of-the-year banquet. Led by Bobbi Pavis, the club "helped the school a lot by getting people involved." She reflected, "I liked working with these people because they wanted to do something—not just sit back."

Like the Pep Club, the Drill Team was involved in promoting school

spirit. Practicing during sixth period, after school, and before school, the team learned cheers and routines for all home football half-time performances, for pep rallies such as the square dance routine for the Sadie Hawkins rally, and for Freshman Orientation.

The 28 girls also represented Torrance High in a number of Drill Team competitions throughout Southern California which included marching with the band in an invitational competition at Disneyland. In addition, the girls were involved in varied fund-raisers such as running a jog-a-thon which brought in over \$1400 to help finance the cost of the parades and competitions.

The Drill Team started out with 21 new members, but at the end of the year they had become close friends. The year was concluded with a formal banquet on the *Queen Mary*. "I've spent three years on Drill Team, this year as Captain, and I would never trade anything for the friendships, laughs, and experiences I've had. I feel that if anyone has a chance, they should give Drill Team a try!" remarked Cindy Christian.



1. Kim Learman and Cathie Hand perform a dance to "We Got the Beat" during basketball halftime. 2. Keeping in step at the Disneyland Parade are Steffanie Richardson and Grace Yang. 3. Pep Club. First row: C. Ronnie. Second row: T. Slattery, L. Collinson, A. Rajcok, M. Smith, L. Jaramillo, L. Viklund, J. Turnberg, M. Mintz, L. Fox, K. Donner, T. Dedman, H. Neu, S. Torres. Third row: S.

Semon, L. St. Amand, D. Ramero, M. Aguilar, J. Chavez, L. Ybarra, A. Ybarra, J. Morgante, E. Barrett, C. Ono. Fourth row: C. Rotter, D. Little, A. Davis, S. Wobrey, T. Cowan, J. Lee. Fifth row: C. Vabre, D. Stauble, J. Domizio, D. Miller, M. Garvey, L. Leibovitz, L. Pettinato, G. Fong, R. Talmo, R. Noday, P. Currier, M. Ozawa, L. Ramirez, C. Basham, F. Lopez.

1. Tall Flags. Front row: **Rhonda Paugh, Lori Neill, Lisa Koski, Karen Byrne, Barbara Fernandez**, Back row: **Kristi Mitchell, Wendy Sterling, Kristi Lovelady, Theresa Klonecky, Kim Dausner, Kim Monfore, Cindy Burgess**. 2. Marching Band and Units. Front row: **Theresa Klonecky, Karen Byrne, Ella Farquhar, Fablene Lopez, Karen Farquhar, Angie Farquhar, Julie Summers, Merianne Snow, Sheri Bill, Shelley Creek, Lori Neill, Lisa Koski**. Second row: **Craig Pridmore, Yvette Kugler, Jim Cleveland, Glenn Smith, Marvin Farmer, Joe Gima, Marion Samuels, Beth Townsend, Edwin Calderon, Staci Anderson, Paul Hendriks**. Third row: **Rhonda Paugh, Marilyn Yano, Viki Umemoto, Naomi Leach, Ronite Gluck, Kim Mathis, Dan Miller, Lisa Campbell, Dawn Monroe, Craig Plannewstiel, Pepper Tasker, Becky Jackson, Neil Whited, Debbie Wilson, Kim Yano, Barbara Fernandez**. Fourth row: **Cindy Burgess, Larry Smith, Stacey Krutsinger,**

Carrie Kakes, Chad Parmalee, Jennifer Cardas, Jill Townsend, Heidi O'Brien, Michelle Clark, Steve Okada, Henry Miller, Carol Cyr, John Owen, Kim Monfore. Fifth row: **Kris Mitchell, Paul Turner, Jeri Kennison, Bob Drew, Mike Gross, John Lee, Dave Smith, Sam Del Palacio, Bill Powell, Dave Bristol, Stephanie Harper, Leroy Jackson, Wendy Sterling**. Back row: **Kim Dausner, Dave Doremus, Mark Rudeen, Kim Parvin, Mike White, Mike Wallace, Roger Marko, Mike Hughes, Brian McKnight, Scott Kawasaki, Marc Clark, Tom Heldeman, Victor Kovacs, Kristi Lovelady**. 3. Marching manages through Disneyland, drummer **Jim Cleveland** manages to steal a look at the crowd. 4. "Chip" patiently tries to give conducting lessons to music director. Mr. Pridmore. 5. Drum Major, **Paul Hendriks**, glances back to make sure there is a band marching behind him. 6. Jazz Band. Front row: **Ronite Gluck,**



Carol Cyr, Bill Powell, Colleen Kevany, Mike Hughes, Brian McKnight, Dave Smith, Roger Marko. Second row: **Glenn Smith, John Owen, Paul Hendriks, Larry Smith, Mike Wallace, Dave Bristol, Joe Gima**. Third row: **Marvin Farmer, Tom Heldeman, Henry Miller, Chad Parmalee, Gwen Franz, Greg Paskal**. 7. The first unit that people see from THS and which identifies the school in sparkling letters is the Banner Line. 8. Perfectly aligned are Tall Flaggers **Wendy Sterling, Barbara Fernandez,** and **Kris Mitchell**.

Wins Keynote Band Year; Tall Flags, Jazz Band Place Too

Ranked highly in almost every parade and competition, the Marching Band had an extraordinary year. This 75-member band was awarded with first places in the Montebello, Cucamonga and Lawndale parades. Drum Major Paul Hendriks, was also awarded first place in the Redondo and Montebello parades and second place in the Cucamonga parade.

Another important instrumental group on campus was the Jazz Band. Performing at restaurants, amusement parks and competitions, this sit-down band played a different style of music than the Marching Band. The Jazz Band consisted of five trumpets, five saxophones, five trumbones, a guitar, bass, drums, and a piano. Competition-wise, the band placed highly in the most difficult and prestigious Chaffey College Jazz Festival.

Three bands who were "chips off the ol' block" from the Marching and Jazz Bands were the Concert Band, Wind Orchestra and the Pep Band. The Concert Band played a little of everything, ranging from classical to today's popular music, and was comprised of everybody from the Marching Band. The Wind Orchestra was the best players of the Concert Band, playing more difficult and advanced music. The Pep Band was composed of spirited musicians who performed at pep rallies, away football games and home basketball games. Four-year band member, Mike Hughes, explained further, "The main purpose of the Pep band was

to arouse the spirit and enthusiasm of the crowds at either the rallies or the games."

Expressing his feelings about this year's bands, music director Mr. Craig Pridmore commented, "I'm very proud of our Bands at Torrance High. Our tour of Hawaii was great, with Concert and Jazz Bands both getting superior ratings. The Marching Band had another strong year, placing first in all but one parade."

For showmanship, color and decoration of the Marching Band, auxiliary units were added. These units were the Banner Line and the Tall Flags. The Banner Line was an eight-member squad, led by Captain Ella Farquhar. The purpose of this unit was to provide the identification of the school in parades. The twelve-member Tall Flag squad, which also included a four-member rifle team, performed well in competitions. They placed first in the rifle division at the Cucamonga parade and second in the Redondo parade. Captain and co-captain were three-year members Theresa Klonecky and Kristi Lovelady respectively. To help out on flag and rifle routines, the squad had two instructors, Debi Santo and Suzanne Fields. Feelings toward the squad could be best expressed by three-year member Karen Byrne, "The Tall Flag squad is more important than people think because we represent the school in more competitions than any other spirit-oriented squad on campus."



1. Tartar Singers. First row: **Nicole Pittman, Michelle Hahn, Kim Poole, Carla Brumbalough, Kathy Anderson, Irene Barraza, Debbie Orr, Jill Woods, Kathy Ratcliff, Nancy Alford.** Second row: **Randy Gray, Charla Fales, Lisa Galka, Lisa Brown, Tina Gentry, Mike Bird.** Third row: **Crissa Brown, Mary Tolliver, Colleen Tolliver, Valerie Loquellano.** 2. Jazz Ensemble. First row: **Darby Southgate, Wendy Pickering, Bobbi Pavis.** Second row: **Robert Hauck, Shirley Alvarez, Mona Castillo, Steve Basile.**

Third row: **Frank Snowney, Ken Stone, Sean McDaniels, Steve Boschetti.** 3. Troubadours. Left, first row: **Kim Nelson, Kim Allen, Paula Hayes, Tina Puente, Jennifer Stillwell.** Second row: **Steve Boschetti, Steve Basile, George Detor.** Third row: **Lorena Ramirez, Pat Millon, Sandy Racic.** Right, first row: **David Tipton, Jay Spradlin, Cris Landes, Mike White.** Second row: **Mona Castillo, Min Sun Lee, Carol Johnson, Laura Bigham.** Center, back: **Jennifer Waddell, Mrs. Bock, Jill Learman.** Not pictured: **Ken Stone.**



Music And Theatre

Enrich And Profit Students

Experience and stage awareness enabled the Theatre Club to successfully perform the "bloody" play, **Dracula** in the fall. The Club formed to promote THS theatrical productions. Having raised several hundred dollars from a donut sale, the club was in a solid financial state to support their own play, which was usually sponsored by the senior class in the past. The approximately 18 members sought additional experience for careers in acting on the stage or on the screen. Jennifer Stillwell commented, "Being involved in the Theatre Club has helped me to work on shows from practically every angle. Many people don't realize how many people work on each show besides the actors."

Talent Show, Feast of Lights, School Board Luncheon, Torrance Recreation Center, and El Camino were some of the places in which the Jazz Ensemble, Tartar Singers, and the Troubadours performed. The Jazz Ensemble was made up of advanced music students who participated in many jazz festivals. They consisted of 12 members, including a drummer and a bass guitarist. Darby Southgate, president of the Jazz Ensemble stated, "It is because of Jazz that I found different aspects in music and

decided I would like to make a career out of it. Jazz has also helped give confidence to its members, because when on stage in front of a hundred people it's hard to be shy!!"

The Tartar Singers were a group of singers who enjoyed singing. They met with Mrs. Bock during second period every day to sing and to learn new songs. As a group of 20 members, the Tartar Singers joined the Troubadours to perform as the Torrance High School Concert Choir. They also performed in the Southern California Vocal Association concerts in Los Angeles and Orange counties.

Those exceptionally talented in music were a part of the Troubadours. Under the direction of Mrs. Bock, the group concentrated on improving their singing techniques. They also had a professional choreographer, Juanita Bryson, who helped them with many of their dance steps to add to their spectacular performances. Jennifer Waddell expressed, "Everyone in Troubadours has at least one thing in common—a love for music. It's a group of people working hard to improve the group and at the same time reaching for their own goals and always helping others attain their goals."



1. Theatre Club. First row: **Mitch Rudeen, Tanya Markham, Tommy Young, Dana Marsh, Steve Beckler, Steve Basile, Steve Musil, Victor Cocchiaro, Randy Gray.**

Second row: **Stephanie Prichett, Kathy Tompkins, Janet Wagner, Erik McBeth, Mr. Charles Slater, Tim Herrera, Carol Johnson, Marcella Arancibia, Pim Jansen, Kathy**

Morris. 2. Talented **Krista Iverson** captivates the audience at the Talent Show as she sings with tremendous emotion.

Electronics, Table Tennis: Open To All

21-15, 15-21, 21-15, Michael Chen defeated Victor Kovacs in the first winter singles' tournament. President Mitch Means and sponsor Ms. Strong worked together to reorganize the Table Tennis Club. Because they enjoyed playing, they gave others an opportunity to have fun, some competition, and to improve their table tennis skills. The members, which numbered twenty-four, played table tennis in the girls' gym during lunch on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Ms. Strong said, "The kids are really responsible. They clean up after they eat and put the tables away neatly." In addition, she said that the students were well-behaved and had a good attitude towards each other and playing table tennis.

"How old were you the last time you saw a Circus? Now, this week only, get twice the fun for your money." "Did you miss Brooke

Shields in the movie 'Tilt' on TV Saturday? You missed some great pinball. Room B220 has some great games for you before school, snack, and lunch."

The Electronics Club, organized by President Mickey Rineman, bought, sold, and maintained pinball machines. It also gave the Electronics Club students an opportunity to learn how to program computers, repair pinball machines, and use the "Apple" computer. Each member gained practical skills such as bookkeeping, and typing. President Mickey Rineman said, "The Electronics Club provides skill and knowledge people will need if they plan on surviving in today's technological world.

Moreover, John McGrew stated, "The Electronics Club is the only club of its kind on campus that educates its members in electronics (for specific vocations).



1. Electronics Club. Front row: **Rick Flower, John McGrew, Mickey Rineman, Hutch Postik, Kelly Brooks, Tom Tran, Randy Riggs, Peter Shrivinski, Paul Thornton, David Bristol, Dan Grantham, Hovig Postik, Alan Hill, Dan Brownke, Debbie Hancock.** Second row: **Dan**

Paschen, Jerry Buss, Jeff Johnson, Kevin Masuda, Kelly Masuda, Tom Barnes, Scott McKenzie. 2. An Electronics Club member carefully fixes a broken pinball machine. 3. President **Mickey Rineman** takes a break after working on the "Apple" computer.





1. *Victor Kovacs* and *Michael Chen* are the winners of the winter singles' tournament. **2.** Table Tennis Club. Front row: *Paul Arceri, Robert Nishimura, Bryon Okada*. Second row: *Scott Nishimura, Damon Kovacs, Peter Shirvinski, Darin Desmond, Victor Kovacs, Michael Chen*. Third row: *Young Chang, Chris Richards, Mitch Means, Steve Lee*. **3.** *William Kuo* returns the ball with speed and skill. **4.** President *Mickey Rineman* conducts a meeting beginning with the television as first on his agenda.





1. Ken Janes appears to imitate his "Dragon" look. 2. Torrance News Torch and Press Club. Back Row: **Philip Digacomo, John McGrew, Oliver Meier.** Front Row: **Leslie Lisnow, Pim Jansen, Heather Yu, Nancy Titiriga, Mrs. Warden.** Not pictured: **Julie Tokashiki, Brett Nordoff, Annette Chavez.** 3. Heather Yu carefully cuts out an ad for the next edition of News Torch. 4. Paul Hartwell and Rand Fujimoto are enjoying a game of "Dungeons and Dragons" with sponsor, Mrs. Scataloni.



Dragons Torch Press Club

An interest in writing was almost the only qualification one needed to join the two journalistic clubs on campus, the Torrance News Torch (TNT) and the Press Club. Although these clubs were seemingly parallel in some areas, their purposes were quite different.

The TNT's job was to be responsible for putting out a monthly school paper that should cover almost every aspect of a Tartar, whether it's athletics, school government, activities, and of course, education. Editor John McGrew commented about the TNT organization: "Even though there was a smaller staff, we were still successfully able to fulfill our responsibility to the school by putting out an informative monthly paper."

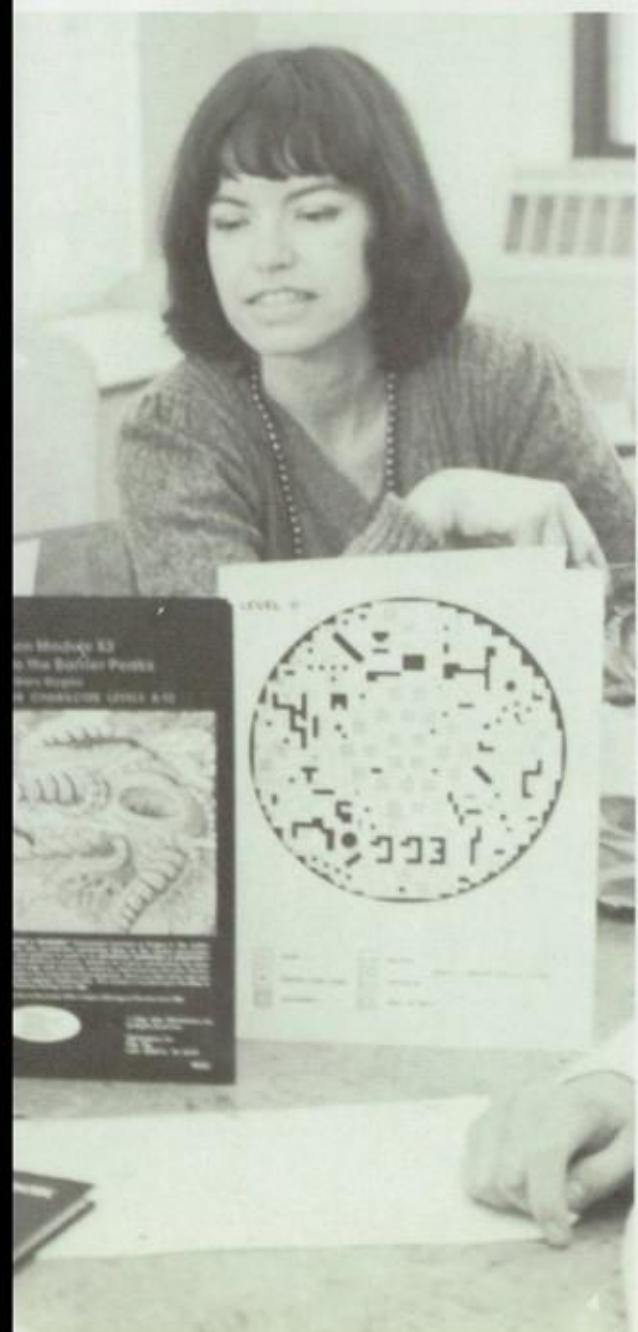
With two returning members, John McGrew and Leslie Lisnow and, for the first time ever, two exchange students, Pim Jansen and Oliver Meier, this small, ten member staff so happen to be the same members of the Press Club.

The Press Club's purpose on campus was to promote an interest in journalistic activities and to give

students, who work on the TNT another insight into communications. President Leslie Lisnow's statement of the Press Club clearly reinforced this.

"Press Club, to me, has helped my understanding of the media and how it affects us all. Actually, one can say the Press Club is a motivating step into journalistic careers of publishing, writing, editing, or broadcasting."

Unlike the TNT and the Press Club, which were clubs of education and service, the Conflict Simulation Society (CSS) was an organization of fun and games. This club was formed for one intention, to give students a chance to play head-on conflict games. One game especially played was the popular, fast-growing "Dungeons and Dragons" game. This game involved several players and could be played for days on end. Sponsor Judy Scataloni and President Robert Hunter both felt that the Conflict Simulation Society was, "a good idea to unite people who are obsessed with 'Dungeons and Dragons' and also to simply have fun playing it."



1. Oliver Meier and Pim Jansen of News Torch are amused by Oliver's latest story for the paper. **2. Conflict Simulation Society.** Front Row: **Mike Lammerding, Byron Okada, Scott Nishimura, Randy Albanese, Randy Vallee, Rand Fujimoto, Scott Russell.** Second Row: **Gary Wolverton, Dave Tilsner, Mark Prow,**

Mrs. Scataloni, Shannon Sherman, Paul Hartwell, Paul Thornton. Third Row: **Eric Hayes, Mitch Means, David Parker, Robert Hunter, Randy Starr, Paul Kim.** Back Row: **Craig Martin, Lance Courture, Ken Janes, Danny Eubanks, Daniel Gibson.**

International Student Club Joins Traditional Language Groups

The long-standing foreign language clubs, French, German and Latin carried on their tradition of making their main purpose to culturally educate students. The French Club President, Miroslava Kubes explained, "We try very hard to teach the students about French or European cultures."

Alan Maramuto, Latin Club President, felt, "The purpose of Latin Club is to promote the culture of the Greeks and Romans, for Latin is more than just grammar."

Latin Club consisted of approximately twenty-five to thirty members and was sponsored by Mrs. Nancy Davis. They raised funds by holding a donut sale and the Halloween Flower Sale. In order to become a member one must have had either presently been a Latin student or have completed two years of Latin. Members attended state conventions, represented Torrance High at other schools' banquets and celebrated Roman holidays. They also went to a state convention for the Junior Classical League, in which Maramuto was State-Vice-President. In addition, it was the only club to give out scholarships to its graduating members. Maramuto summarized, "Latin club is definitely a good experience, especially for the

underclassmen. They say Latin is dead, but Latin Club sure isn't."

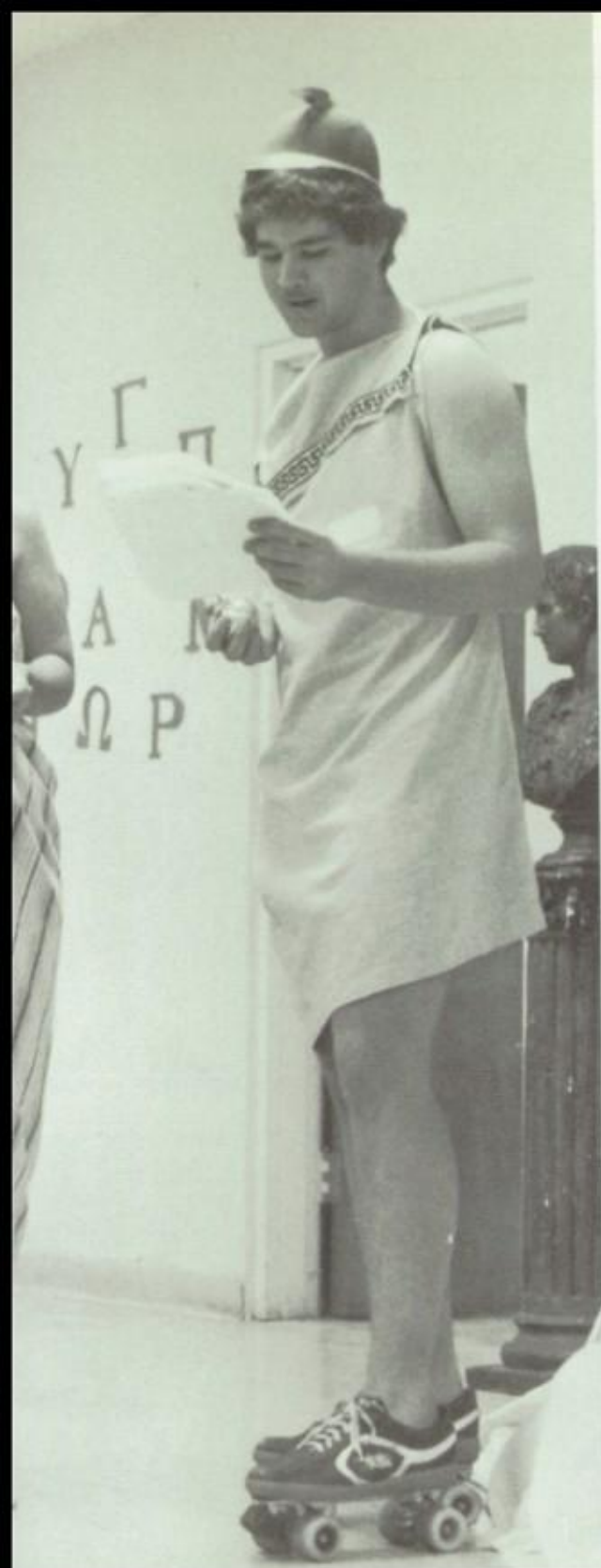
French Club, sponsored by Mrs. Dixie Roy, was comprised of twenty to twenty-five members. Their fundraisers included donut, cookie, candy dish and stuffed animal sales. They tried to visit as many European restaurants as they could, and enjoyed going to see French movies. Its president, Miroslava Kubes commented, "Usually we have people who are taking French as a foreign language, but I think anyone interested in French cultures should join."

A newly formed club, the International Student Club and its sponsor, Mr. Richard Moore, in its president's words, provided "experiences, contacts and social activities for foreign exchange students and those interested in exchange student programs." Nine members made up the club, two of which were exchange students from Holland and West Germany. The club planned on participating in Spirit Spectacular and having a sale in the student store. Discussing membership, Mona Castillo explained, "If a person is interested in joining he or she may attend a meeting and join." She described the club as "an exciting experience."



1. The three daughters of Zeus, **Melissa Bello, Deborah Mester** and **Kathy Kamiya** await **George Detor's** direction. 3. German Club. Front Row: **Michele Good, Wendy Kashitani, Miroslava Kubes, Ellen Brown.** Second Row: **Thomas Bulowski, Sheila Richardson, Oliver Meier, Ronite Gluck, Lynn Kashitani.** Third Row: **Ms. Peterson, Kristi Lenser, Janet Wagner, Pim Jansen, Steffanie Richardson, Kim Keidser, Marilyn**

Wagner. 2. Latin Club. Front Row: **Brett Noone, Mitch Rudeen, Frank Maramuto, Robert deLellis, Gerry Buss, Brian Brown, Tina Puente, Laura McGrath, Robert Nishimoto.** Second Row: **Kathy Kamiya, George Detor, Mrs. Nancy Davis, Melissa Bello, Deborah Mester, Steve Lee, Alan Maramuto, Jenny Waddell, Chuck Lee, Gina Eastham, Chris Wallraff.**



1. French Club. Front Row: **Yo-Shiun Kuo, LeAnn LaFrance, Maria Kubes, Carole Johnson, Susan Foley.** Second Row: **Ann Bridi, Sharon Yoon, Grace Yang, Chad Phelah, Oliver Meier.** Third Row: **Mrs. Dixie Roy, Miroslava Kubes, Gloria Lee, Adam Manano, Pim**

Jansen, Tina Puente, Joyce Yancy. 2. ISF. Front Row: **Jay Burke, Robin Alfena, ICC Rep. Steve Silbiger.** Second Row: **Binh Ly, President, Mona Castillo, Lance Couture, Oliver Meier, Secretary, Pim Jansen.**



1. Freshmen. Front row: **Wen-Tien Chang, Aileen Barclay, Jamie Pivovarov, Julie Lisnow, Rand Fujimoto, Melanie Kido, Kevin Masuda, Gary Silver.** 2. Seniors. Front row: **Sam Kim, Gwen Galeon, Teri Kuniyuki, Cathy Nishimuta, Virginia Pardaffy.** Second row: **Kellie Onishi, Fiona Barclay, Lynne Sticka, Michelle Mimura, Carlene Yoshida, Alan Marumoto.** Third row: **Kim Barnes, Carol Cyr, Cindy Christian, Vicki White, Greg Fong, Kim Ruffell, Mike Manuel, Dana Harris.** Fourth row: **Victor Cocchiaro, Carolyn Atsumi, Kim Tanaka, Derek Jang, Wendy Sterling, Kristi Lovelayd, Tom Yi.** Back row: **Kathy Kamiya, Alan Zafran, Mike Hughes, Leah Tanikawa.** 3. Juniors. Front row: **Scott Nishimura, Marilyn Wagner, Mark Prow, Mary Ellen Napier, Binh Ly, Karen Kwan, Donna Akahoshi, Norine Aoki, Denise Atsumi, Colleen Kozawa, Judy Tamada, Leslie Gerhardt, Melissa Bello.** Back row: **James Yu, Karen Tompkins, Shelley Weeks, Dave Parker, Kim Parvin, Chris Smith, Don Chang, Claudia Bonilla, Susan Johnson, Linda Barker, Sharon Stinson, Lisa Takata, Patty Lobb.** 4. Life Members. Front row: **Sam Kim, Leah Tanikawa, Gwen Galeon, Alan Marumoto, Cathy Nishimuta, Virginia Pardaffy, Kathy Kamiya.** Second row: **Carol Cyr, Teri Kuniyuki, Alan Zafran, Carlene Yoshida, Greg Fong, Mike Manuel.** Back row: **Fiona Barclay, Lynne Sticka, Michelle Mimura, Kellie Onishi, Derek Jang, Cindy Christian, Mike Hughes, Wendy Sterling, Kim Ruffell, Tom Yi, Dana Harris.** 5. Sponsor of CSF is **Mr. Wesley Peterson.**



Mickey Mouse, Dodgers Honor CSF Members

The California Scholarship Federation, (CSF) was a big name for a club on campus, but its importance made this distinguished organization worthy of it. With a purpose to encourage and recognize top scholastic achievers, CSF had no problem finding students to join. In fact, the number of members made it one of the largest clubs on campus. To become a member one needed three "A's," two earned in academic studies, and one "B" and no "D's" or "F's" on a semester report card. Having been in CSF for four semesters, including one's senior year, a student received the highest honor of the club, Honorary Life Membership. Such a student not only became a member for life, but also was awarded gold tassels and graduated with "honors."

Many benefits came "with the package" upon joining this club. For example, there were opportunities to

visit the local colleges such as UCLA, and Cal State Long Beach. Another example was an evening at Disneyland for all the CSF groups in Southern California. Moreover, members gained recognition of their good grades in the Los Angeles Times on behalf of the Los Angeles Dodgers baseball organization. In addition, the LA Dodgers furnished free baseball tickets in designated areas for all interested CSF members and their families.

For many years the organization never faltered but grew larger and stronger. This could be attributed towards the 16 years of experience provided by sponsor Wesley Peterson. Cathy Nishimuta explained, "CSF is what it is today because we have an experienced sponsor, Mr. Peterson. There are many more benefits than there were 5 to 10 years ago and most of all, the students join because they know that it is an honor to be a member."



1. CSF Sophomores. First row: **Dana Marsh, Wendy Kashitani, Virginia Arredondo, Steve Lee, Erik McBeth, Yo-shiun Kuo, Ronite Gluck, Wen-Hsin Chang.** Second row: **Alan Matsumoto, Steve Sasaki, Richard Shim, Michelle Guillory, Metta Tanikawa, Keith Kato, Carrie Frandsen, Chad Phelan, Mona Castillo, Min Sun Lee, Lynne Ohara, June Kikuchi, Ann Park, Robert Nishimuta, Bryon**

Okada. Third row: **Selichiro Kita, Michelle Chavez, Jackie Prophet, Becky Prewitt, Janet Wagner, Elaine Chough, Gloria Lee, Sharon Yoon, Sheri Semon, Lisa St. Amand, Brian McKnight, Jennifer Schwartz, Erica Marcroft, Karen Schooley, Jackie Lee, Alice Sun, Heidi Rupp, Sandy Racic, Dyane Stanble, Debbie Little, Steve Silbiger.**

Producing Annual Requires Hard Work And Preparation

With the appointment in Spring 1981 of eight new staff members and five photographers, the early stages of planning for the 1982 **Torch** began. In order to finance the yearbook, staff members began work by seeking advertisements for the annual during the summer. Staff members raised \$3245, which helped to defray the cost of an annual to the student body.

During the summer, the editors also attended a week long conference at Pepperdine University, in order to learn more about yearbooks. At the Conference, classes were offered which taught such things as layout design and how to incorporate graphics into a yearbook.

Thus, by the time school started in September, many of the details, such as what was going to be covered on what pages, had already been decided. However, when the staff returned in the fall, the first order of business was to decide on a theme and how it would be developed throughout the book. After the theme was chosen, the actual work on the annual began.

As a staff member soon found out, there was a lot of work

involved in completing a double-page spread. In order to meet his deadline, a staff member was responsible for such things as choosing and cropping pictures for his page, as well as writing the story and thinking up captions for the pictures. When Mary Ellen Napier was asked about the work involved in producing a yearbook, she said, "Although everything always seemed hectic around deadline time, after my pages were turned in, I realized it was worth it when I would see the finished book."

However, even with all the dedicated work, problems did arise. Having to deal with such frustrations as deadlines and details the yearbook representative forgot to mention, find that the photo lab misplaced, and finding out at the last minute that the photo lab sent the wrong size senior portraits, were a few of the problems that staff members encountered.

Nevertheless, the friendships that were formed and the fun that was had in the process made it all seem worthwhile. Leslie Gerhardt summed up this idea the best by saying, "Being on Annual Staff was hard work, but most of all I liked getting to know the staff members."



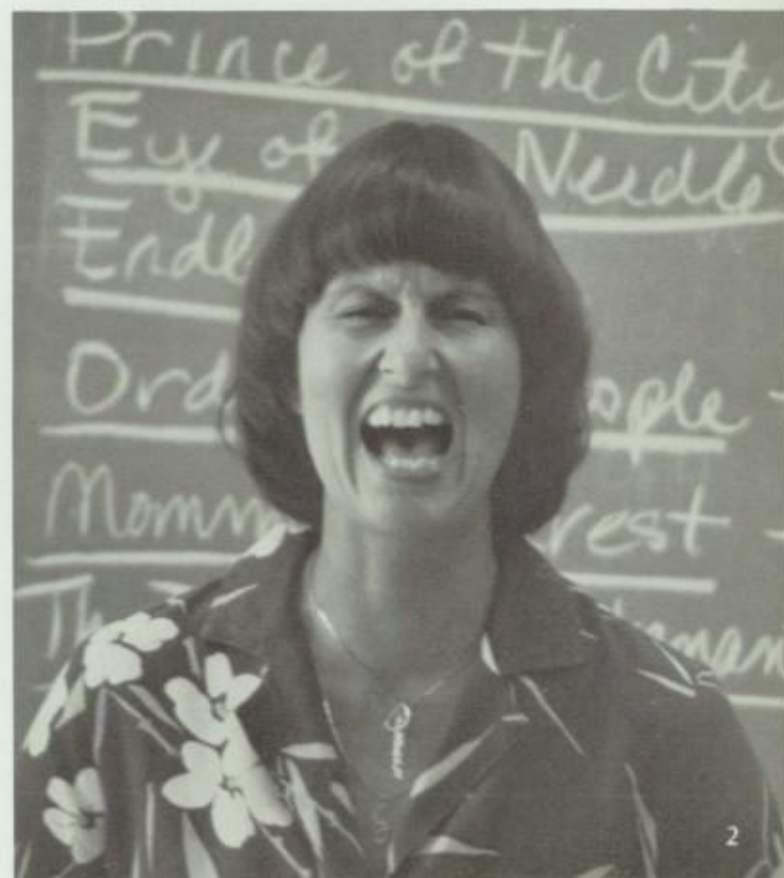
1. In their spare time, **Leah Tanikawa** and **Kris Odgers** look through past annuals for ideas. 2. Working to finish her page before the deadline, **Kellie Onishi** diligently types the copy for the

fall play page. 3. While lecturing to the new staff, **Brad Hardison** indicates the "approximate size" of a dominate photo.





1. Never without his camera, photographer **Gary Morris** exemplifies the skill and patience required by a photographer. 2. After being told that another problem has arisen, advisor **Jackie Stanton** lets out a scream in frustration. 3. Annual Staff. Front Row: **Colleen Kevany, Karen Kwan, Kris Odgers, Leah Tanikawa.** Second Row: **Tom Yi, David Gillen, Jackie Stanton, Cindy Christian, Marshall Ozawa.** Back Row: **Mary Ellen Napier, Brad Hardison, Robyn Powell, Susan Johnson, Gary Morris, Lisa Takata, Kathy Kamiya, Kellie Onishi, Brian Burchell, Liz Neary, Virginia Pardaffy, Leslie Gerhardt.**



ACADEMICS





Academics Form Foundation

Academics, undoubtedly, are the most essential part of school. They add a depth and a focus to the lives of the students much in the same way that an artist would add background and a dimension to his artwork.

Education is an essential background to every part of life. The knowledge gained in school enables a student to function in everyday life.

Nearly as important as the education, however, is the rapport between student and teacher. Through this relationship, the teachers are able to guide the students to make wise decisions for their future.

1. The classroom can be a place for fun as well as learning. 2. Confronted by **Mr. Zartman**, **Maritza Rodriguez** explains that her dog ate her homework. 3. Physics students **Gary Wolverton** and **Bruce Bergerson** attentively work on their lab assignment.

W.A.S.C. Evaluates T.H.S. Curriculum

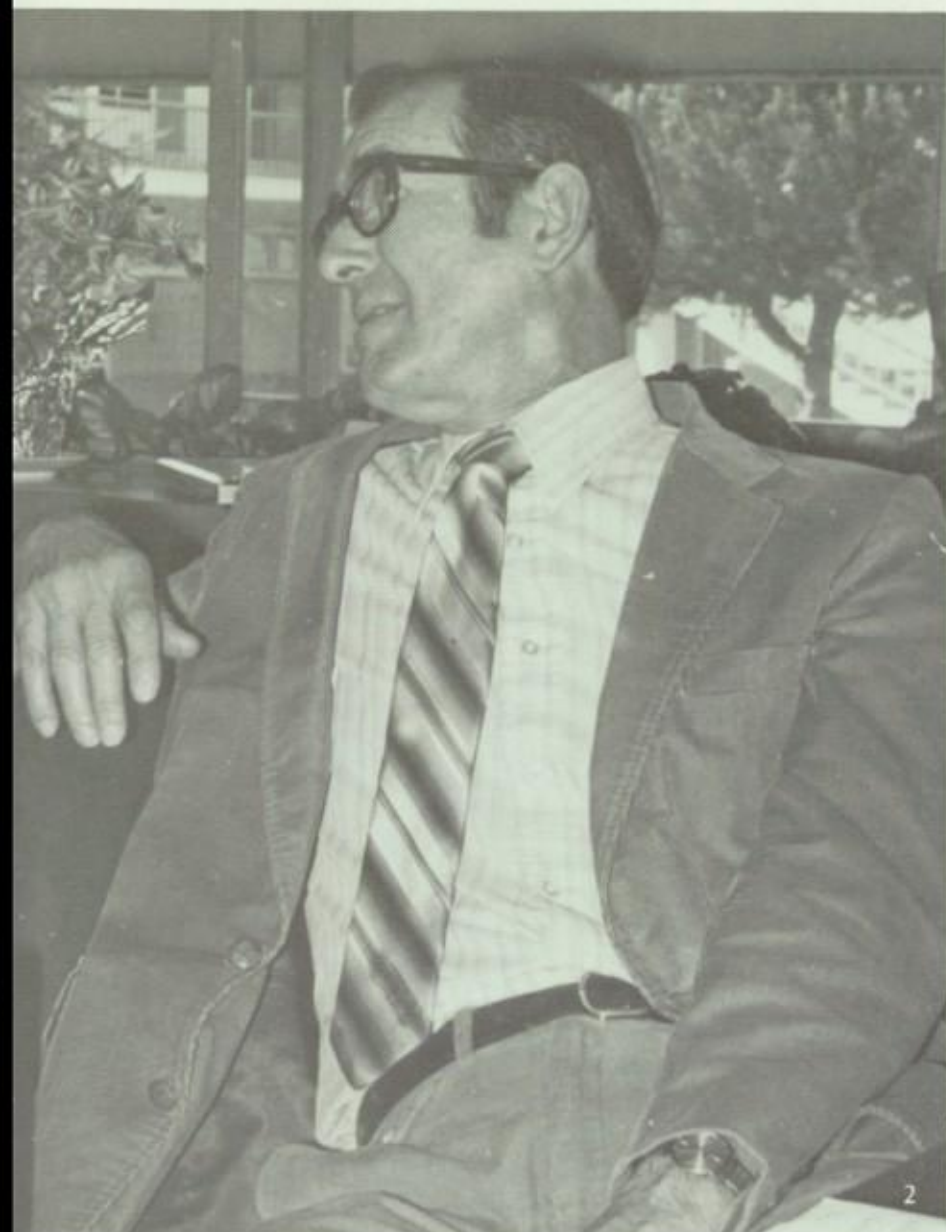
This year's W.A.S.C. (Western Association of Schools and Colleges) report was prepared by Ms. Jane Hoose. The overall purpose of the W.A.S.C. report was to accredit the effectiveness and workability of a school's complete curriculum and extra curricular offerings. The report consisted of a compilation of data about all of the schools' curriculum aspects. The W.A.S.C. report commissioners tried to make sure that the school's program was beneficial to all of its students. A school could be closed if it did not stand up satisfactorily to the standards set by the W.A.S.C. commission.

The W.A.S.C. commissioners came on March 1, 2 and 3 to observe the classroom and campus proceedings. After observing Torrance High and verifying the statements made in its W.A.S.C. report, the commission gave commendations and recommendations, between the time of the report and the next accreditation time. The recommendations made by the commission helped the school to improve.

Torrance High has always received the longest possible time between accreditations, six years. "I would think that we will do the same this time," stated Ms. Hoose.



1. As always, **Neil Griffith** has a big smile for T.H.S. students. 2. **Dr. Klonecky** patiently helps a student who has come into his office for advice. 3. **John Schmidt** and **Sue Magnuson** share a joke during spring semester self scheduling. 4. **Claude Ragsdale** helps a late-registering student find a class. 5. The empty halls and closed doors of the annex building is a view rarely seen by T.H.S. students.



Dr. Edward Richardson -
Superintendent
Dr. Philip Korman - Area
Supervisor



John Barberis - Board
Member
Steven Busch - Board
Member, President



Doris Casstevens - Board
Member
Dr. Owen Griffith - Board
Member



Fumiko Hachiya Wasserman -
Board Member, Vice President

*Hi Steve!
Have a blast
this summer!
Hope that we can be
better friends this
next year!
Love,
Carol*



Dr. Harold Klonecky - Principal
Neil Griffith - Vice Principal



Claude Ragsdale - Vice
Principal
John Schmitt - Vice Principal



Administrative Staff Backs New Attendance Policy

With the intent to encourage students to attend all of their classes as often and punctually as possible, the Board of Education approved a new pilot attendance program on July 20, 1981. The experimental program went into effect September in all four of the Torrance high schools, North, South, West and Torrance. Students were urged to take absences seriously and accept responsibility for their own attendance. The policy was explained to be founded on the idea that a student who is in class consistently receives the maximum benefit from the educational program. The administration felt that successful students and graduates were those with good attendance records.

The program introduced many new policies. Parents were to phone or write to the Attendance Office the day of or one day following their son's or daughter's absence, in order to inform the school of the reason for each absence. Ten absences in each class were allowed per semester. On the eleventh day of absence, the student was dropped from the class and received no credit. Five unexcused tardies equalled one absence, and a ten minute tardy also became an absence. Parents were notified after the fifth, ninth and eleventh day of their son's or daughter's absence

and of the possible consequences.

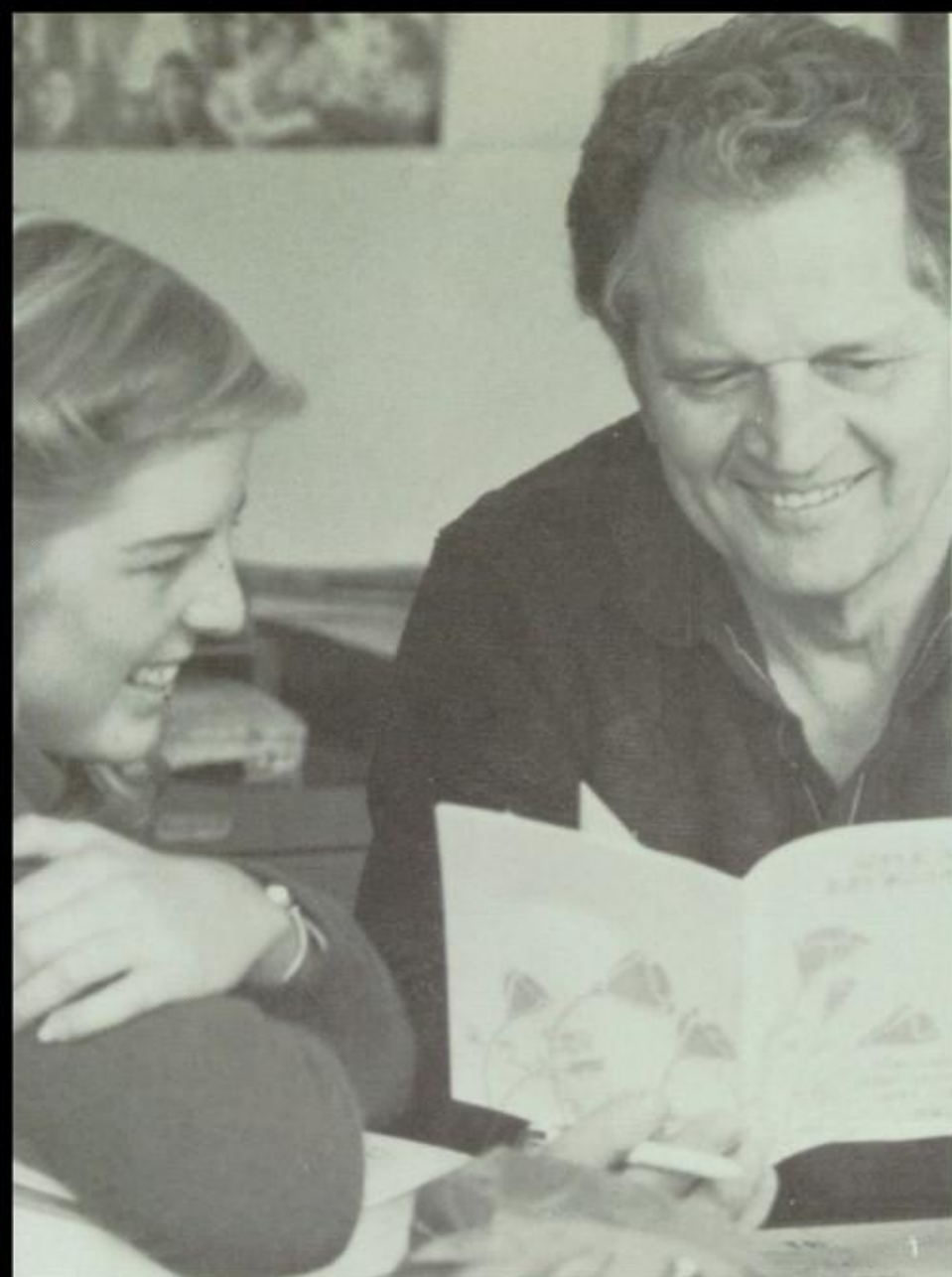
In the case of extenuating circumstances and relative to the Assistant Principal's judgement, a student with eleven absences was allowed to appeal his removal to an appeal court, consisting of one impartial teacher, one counselor and the Assistant Principal. A severe injury resulting in a physical inability to attend school, a "severe and prolonged" illness, and other unusual and extenuating circumstances that could not have been avoided by the student were considered justification for appeal. To verify such a case a student needed a written statement from a doctor.

The administration expressed confidence that the new policies could effectively reduce absenteeism. Teachers commented that it made keeping up their class schedules easier, since they did not have to review material for students who were absent. Assistant Principal Mr. Griffith felt the program was improving attendance impressively in comparison with last year. He projected that the policies could remain at Torrance high schools in the future if it continued to enjoy the success it had been. Mr. Griffith stated that, "The focus on good attendance is paying off."

1. Looking through the State University application, Senior **Paige Leech**, and **Arnold Holstein** find a positive note. 2. Camera buff, **Maurice Wilson** finds a fellow hobbyist in **Leah**

Tanikawa. 3. Former Activities Director, **George Cannady** instructs Freshman Class President, **Mi-K Kim** while Tartar Lady Queen **Cathy Nishimuta** waits for her turn.





Polly Goutras• Counselor
Arnold Holstein• Counselor



Virginia Levanas• Nurse,
Friends of Humanity
Sponsor
Dorothy Metros• Dean of
Students



John O'Brien• Activities
Director
Gerald Ronan• Counselor



Elaine Stannard• Counselor
Kent Stansbury• Staff
Assistant



Maurice Wilson• Counselor
Dennis York• Vocational
Counselor

Changes in Cafeteria Are for the Better

Many changes occurred in the cafeteria system. Early in the year there was a bulletin notice saying that the cafeteria would no longer be serving Type A lunches. The cafeteria previously served two kinds of lunches, the Type A, or hot tray lunch, and the combo lunch, in which students chose individual items for their lunch. The reason the change occurred was that not enough students were buying the Type A lunch. The eradication of the Type A lunch proved not only more convenient for the cafeteria workers, but also more economical for the school.

The vending machines which used to be by the

English building were transferred to the Annex cafeteria. They were moved because hot food was no longer served in the Annex cafeteria and the machines caused crowds of students to hang around the library. The vending machines also created traffic jams by the English building.

The cafeteria workers felt that the changes made were definite improvements. The cafeteria workers felt on a whole that the students were very nice. Phyllis Sherrill, the cafeteria cook, expressed her feelings by saying, "I really enjoy the association with the students as well as my co-workers."



1. Campus aide, **Mickey Useldinger**, cleans out a student's locker. 2. Custodians: first row, **Daniel Navarro, Sibillano Brigoli Jr., Marcial Guzman, Jose Contoula**, second row, **Mark Hawley, George Casper, Ben Pimantel, Vernon Smith, Fernando Meres**. 3. After a busy lunch hour this is what the salad

bar looks like. 4. Students eat at the newly constructed salad bar. 5. At her desk, **Mrs. Jacobsen** takes a break. 6. Cafeteria workers: first row, **Chris Jones, Phyllis Sherrill**, second row, **Eva McCrosson, Olive McKenzie, Rosalia Ollique, Shirley Brooks, Andre Davies**.



*Jane Desmond
Rose Farnsworth*



*Anita Jacobsen
Judy Kido*

"The cafeteria has really been improved since last year. The inside looks better and the salad bar is a nice addition."—Susan Johnson



Betty Massie



*Sharon Raygosa
Alice Trager*

Ann Hagemaster-Girls Glee Club, Troubadours, Trouveres
Harold Pelster-Fine Arts



Craig Pridmore-Band Club, Tall Flags
Dale Walker-Fine Arts



Mel Steinberg-Art Club, Fine Arts, Department head



"The most important thing that I teach other than the subject matter is self discipline. I have found that even my seniors lack the necessary self discipline needed in school and in working with business machines."

-Mrs. Bonnie Jeffrey

John Davis-Business
Reba Grosch-Business



Tim Harrison-Business
Bonnie Jeffrey-Business, Department Head



Fewer Easels Seen at Torrance High

"At its height, the Fine Arts Department had five teachers on its staff. Now we've dwindled down to two, which is unfortunate," commented art instructor Mr. Harold Pelster. The art program decreased to only two classes due to many contributing factors. One was that there was an overall smaller student enrollment in the school, and thus fewer teachers could be hired. In order to maintain a full staff in the other departments, the Art Department was cut back on instructors. Another reason the art program was reduced was because of the great emphasis

applied to high Proficiency Exam scores. Students enrolled more heavily in the "solid" classes, in order to be well prepared and score highly on these tests. "The pressures of the economy and uncertainties might be discouraging students as well," replied Harold Pelster.

Although the art instructors couldn't be as specialized as before, and they had to take on responsibilities of past art teachers, they didn't make the classroom seem strict. The students were still able to create and complete their projects individually.



1. After finishing a business letter, **Craig Burgner** looks up before inserting another piece of paper. 2. Loading their cameras with more film are **Jennifer Lee** and **Roxanne Moeder**. 4. **Terese Miller** paints a picture of her best

friend in art class. 3. A ceramics student concentrates on making her pottery smooth. 5. **Henry Miller** and **Greg Pascal** do a duet in band practice as other players listen.

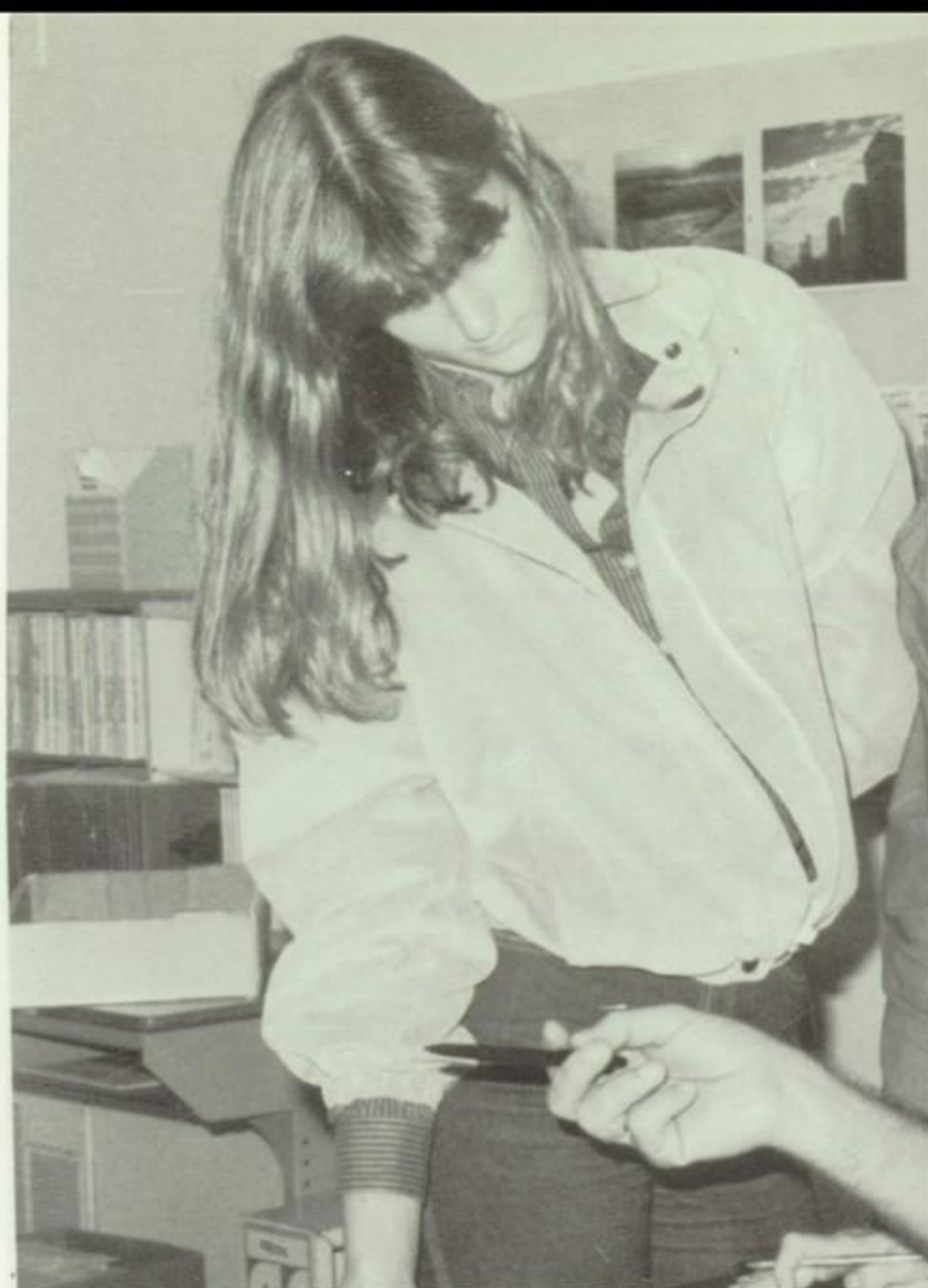
English Teachers Volunteer for Activities

English instructors at Torrance High proved that teaching was definitely not a nine to five job. Besides their classes, many English teachers were involved in extracurricular activities. Most already carried a full load of classes with one conference period. In addition, twenty-four hours of chaperone duty a year was usually required, and an average of ten to twenty hours a week was spent grading papers. Outside interests ranged from athletic to social to academic organizations.

Three English teachers sponsored journalism and drama groups. Mrs. Jackie Stanton, often suffered from insomnia as the yearbook advisor for her seventh year. The school newspaper, *The News Torch*, was sponsored by Mrs. Sharon Warden. Mr. Chuck Slater sponsored the Drama Club and supervised both the annual Fall and Spring school plays. Miss Jane Hoose was both the head of the

English Department and the A.T., Academically Talented, coordinator. Student members of these organizations bettered their writing skills and discovered new talents.

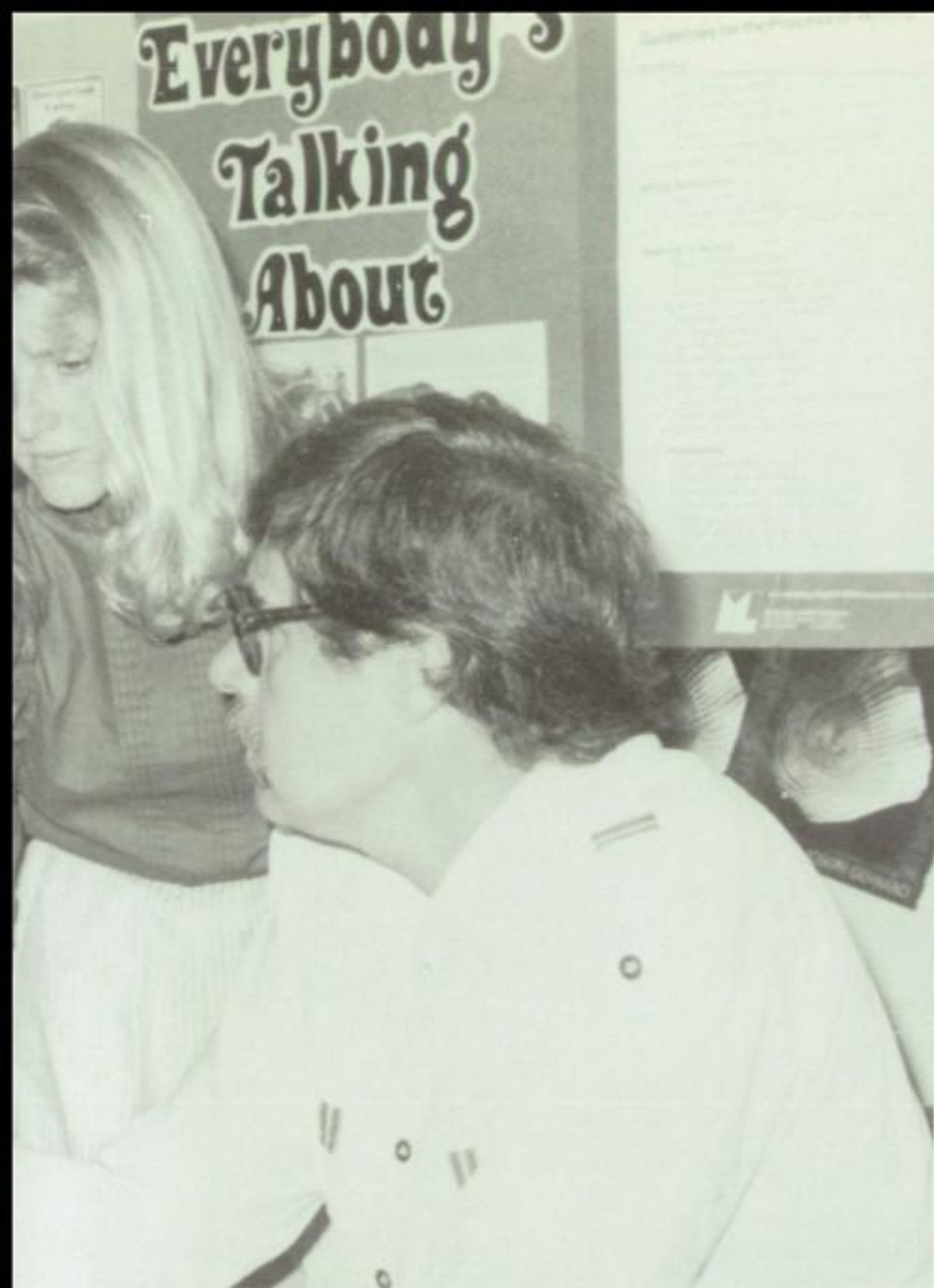
English teachers also sponsored social and athletic organizations. Ms. Anita Elduayen sponsored Service League for the first time and signed hundreds of bulletin notices. Brown bagging it on council days, Mrs. Alice Perkin continued to act as Sophomore Class sponsor. Mr. Woody Griggs coached the Boys and Girls Tennis Team. Filling the position of Temporary Activities Director, Mr. Breese single-handedly painted a picture backdrop for the Halloween Dance one lonely afternoon in the Associated Student Body room. These teachers donated countless hours of their time to their students before school, at lunch, and long after three o'clock.



1. Two junior English students, **Shayna Eskew** and **Liz Malone** discuss with **Mr. Rystad** what "Everybody's Talking About." 2. Beginning his lesson, **Mr. Towle** gives an example, "Remember,

spelling awlays counnts." 3. Sophomore English teacher, **Mrs. Stanton** strains to hear a soft-spoken student. 4. While looking for her roll sheet, **Mrs. Davis** continues to lecture.





Stephanie Bertoni-English
Gary Breese-English,
 Temporary Student
 Activities Director



Woodrow Griggs-English,
 Tennis Coach
Jane Hoose-English,
 Department Head, A.T.
 Coordinator



Carol Kiernan-English
Jim Meyers-English



Alice Perkin-English,
 Sophomore Class Sponsor
Dennis Rystad-English



Charles Slater-English,
 Drama Club Sponsor
Jackie Stanton-English,
 Annual Staff Advisor



Ignatius Tobin-English
Howard Towle-English



Harry Tryon-English
Sharon Warden-English,
News Torch Advisor



JoAnn Cole Foreign
Language, Department
Head
Nancy Davis Foreign
Language, English, Latin
Club Sponsor



Anita Elduayen Foreign
Language, English
Bertha Lawler Foreign
Language



Dixie Roy Foreign
Language, French Club
Sponsor
Joseph Stassi Foreign
Language, Spanish Club
Sponsor



"It is important to be able to
communicate with other people."
—Gina Eastham

Marilyn Dare Home
Economics
Barbara Daugherty Home
Economics, Department
Head



Cultures Emphasized in Language Classes

The United States is a melting pot of people from many different countries. Among people of different countries are people who speak foreign languages. Learning a foreign language would not only help students to communicate, but also to better understand people of different backgrounds.

Torrance High's Foreign Language Department offered classes in foreign languages that not only taught students language, but also taught the culture of the people who speak the language. There were foreign language classes in French, German, Latin, and Spanish. The foreign language classes gave students instruction in more than just reading, writing, and speaking another language. In foreign

language classes, students learned about the country, people, and the cultures where the languages are spoken.

There were many advantages to learning foreign languages. One reason was to enhance one's education and to better understand people of different cultures. Knowing a foreign language could be useful in one's world travels. The knowledge of a foreign language could also be to one's advantage when applying for a job that involves foreign speaking persons. Spanish teacher, Mrs. Lawler, commented, "One advantage of learning a foreign language is that students became more aware of the grammar and structure of English."



1. Home Economics student, **Susan Woolhether**, works diligently on her sewing project. 2. Foreign Language teacher, **Mrs. Lawler** discusses Spanish verbs. 3. Studying her pattern, **Cheri Ivers** tries to figure out

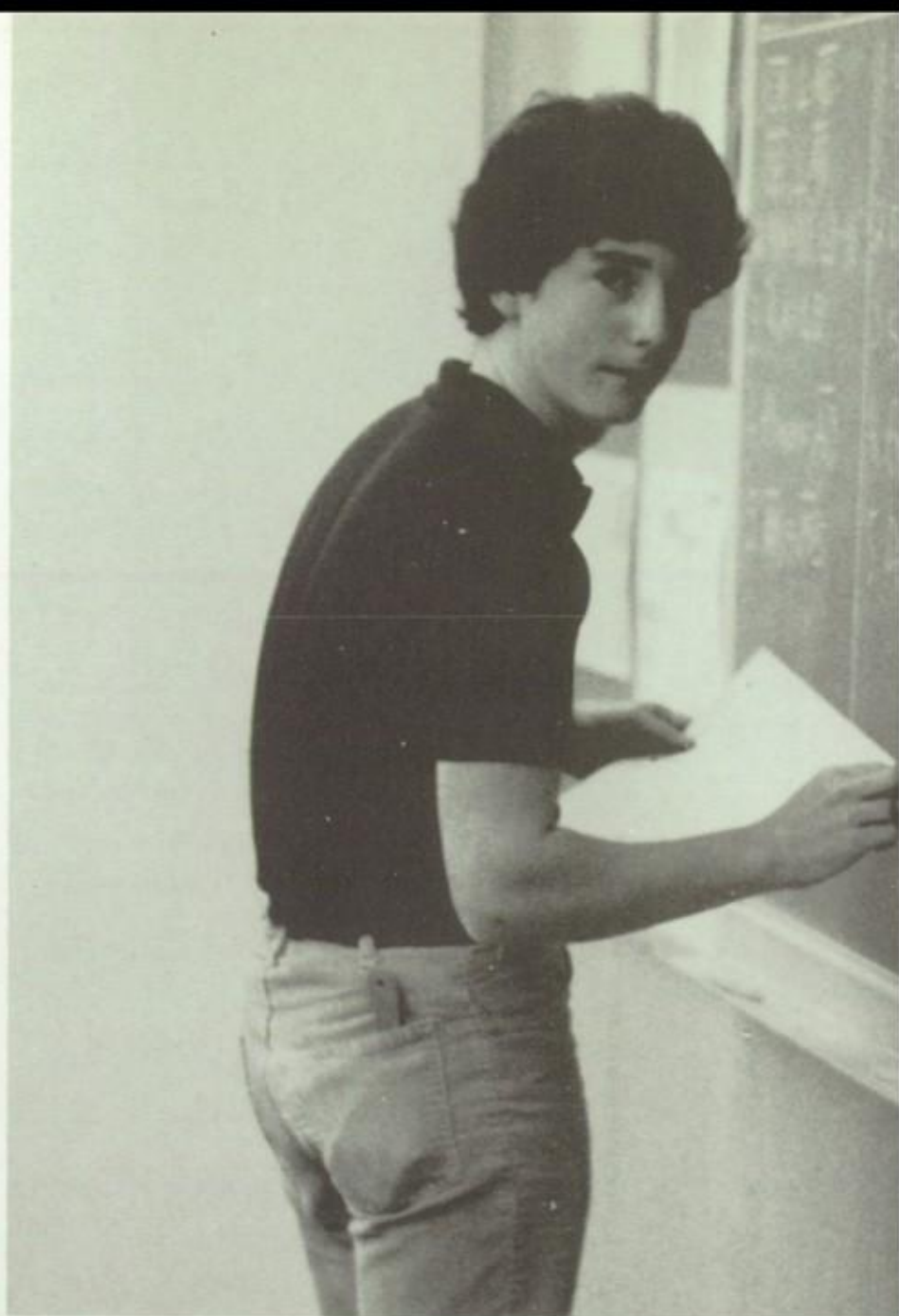
what to do next. 4. **Troy Sumitomo** works hard to finish his Spanish homework while **Al Lubrani** daydreams. 5. **Mrs. Roy** explains a new concept in Spanish.

THS Invests in Computer Revolution

The high technological progress of computers had caused Torrance High to begin planning a computer math class. The Math Department, along with the School District, was working on a project which would go into effect in a couple of years. The project consisted of a plan in which the school would receive one Apple Computer for every two students in the class. The computer math class would teach students how to use and program the computers. In a few years, Torrance High would have received enough computers to start a class. The math classes which

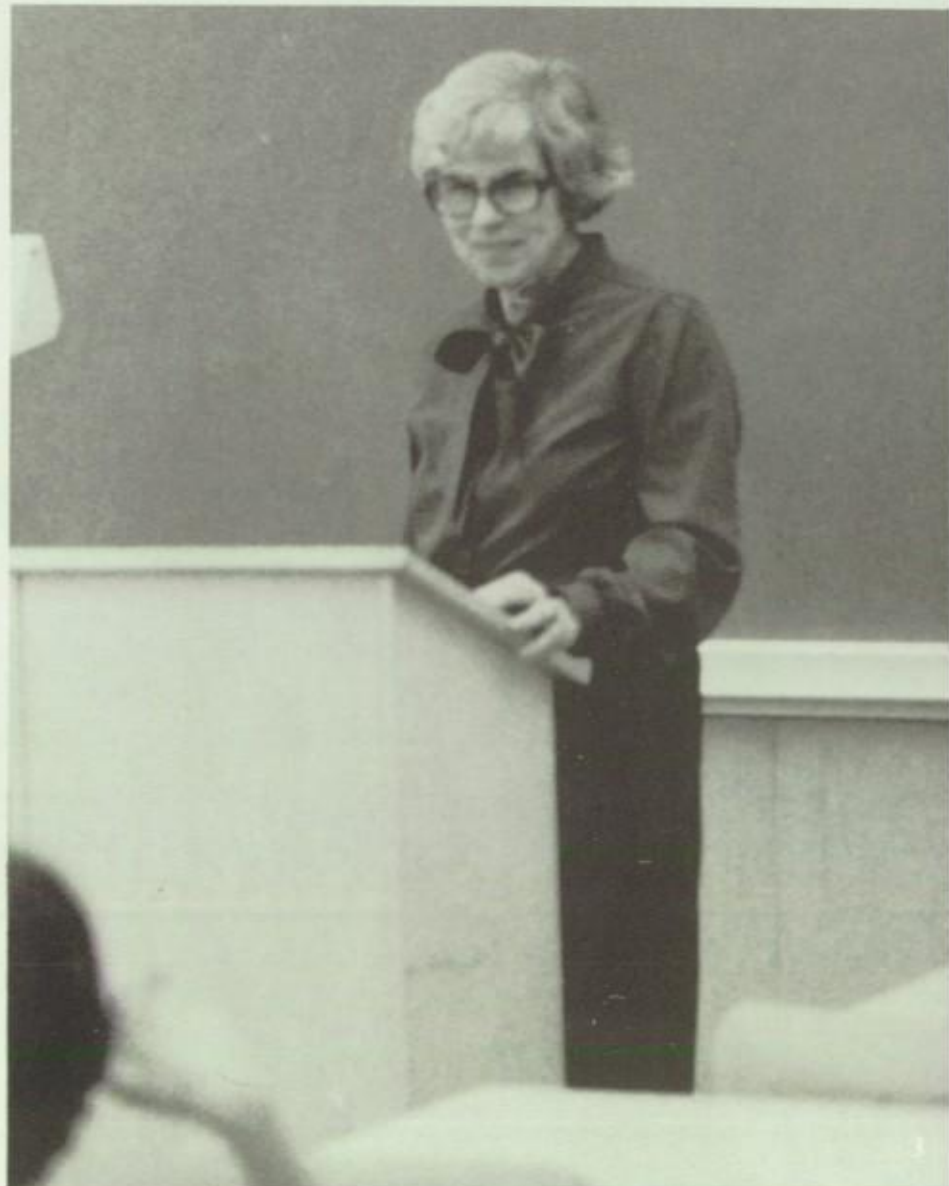
were taught would be useful to the computer math class. The information related to formulas taught in the Algebra classes would be used in learning how to program the computers.

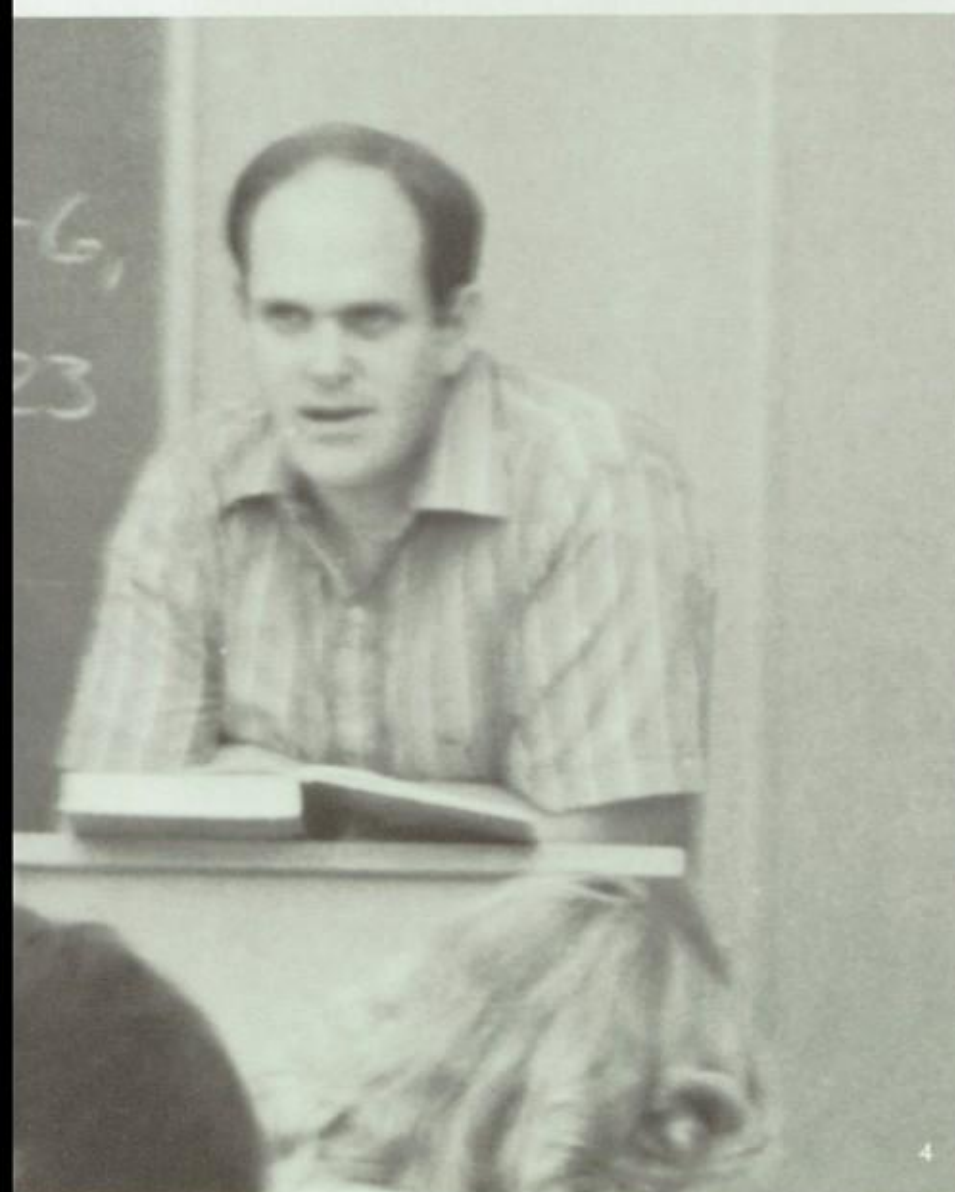
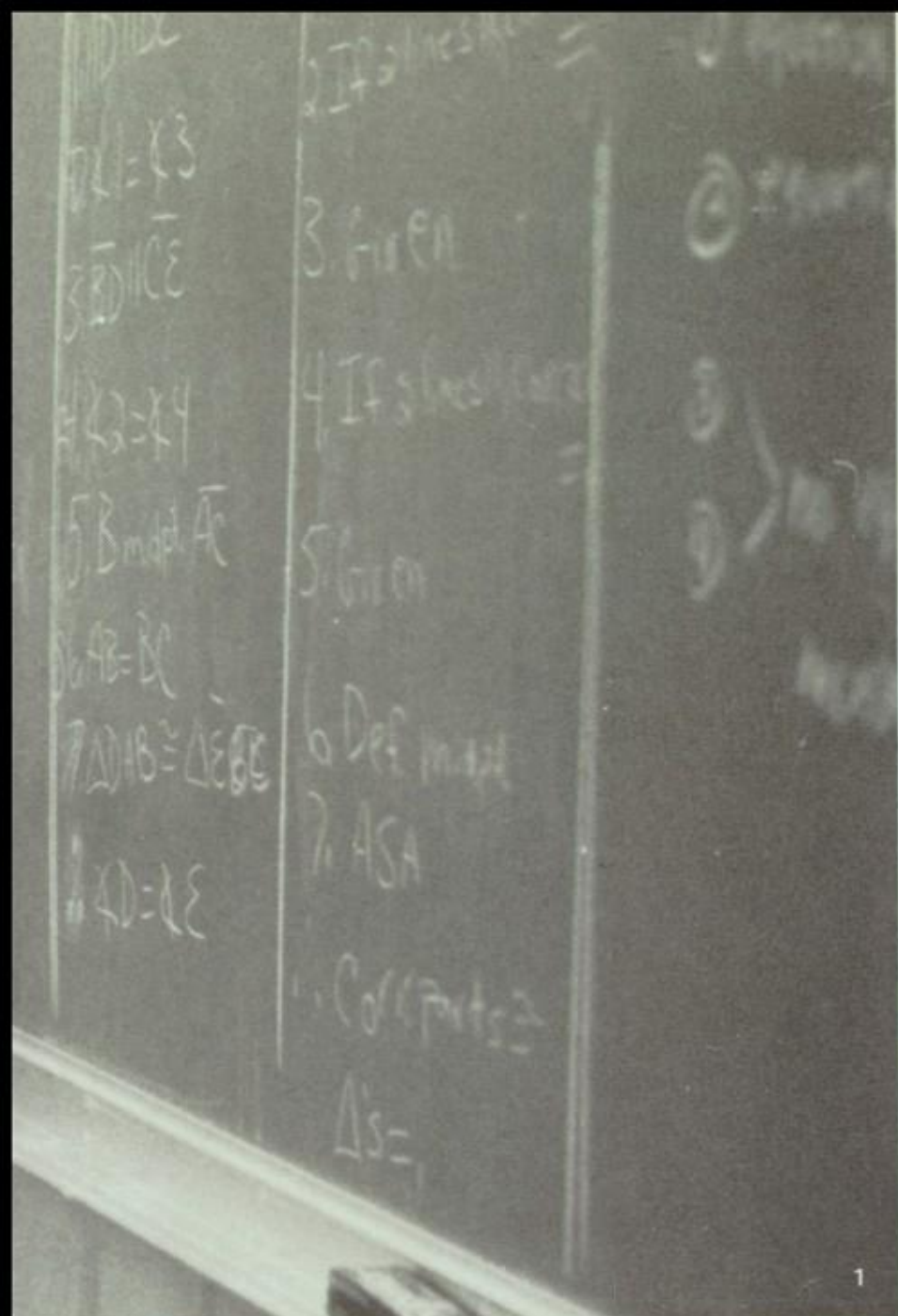
Although computers had been taking over some jobs, new ones had been created. People with the knowledge of programming computers would be needed. Math teacher, Michael Hatter, commented, "Computers are good for progress." He later added, "Computers are going to be taking over more areas of business than they are now."



1. **Paul Turner** writes his Geometry proofs on the board for the class. 2. **Naomi Leach** explains Geometry homework to a fellow student. 3. **Mrs. Perkins**

lectures on how to do a quadratic equation. 4. Math teacher, **Mr. Hatter**, breaks the news to his class that there will be a test the next day.





Paula Bandt Math
Donna Belitz Math



Michael Hatter Math,
Department Head, Junior
Class Council Sponsor
Stanley Hendrickson Math



Richard Hulse Math

"I think the advanced math classes offered at THS have given students a good background for when they go to college."—Michelle Mimura



Donald Kalmer Math, Track
Coach, Cross Country
Coach
Nadine O'Hara Math



Priscilla Perkins Math
Kim Sobleck Math

John Knapp Science
Jenae Knight Science



James Lockner Science,
Department Head
Peter Mirakian Science



Charles Pillet Science,
Tartar Knight sponsor
Richard Schwartz Science



Frank Simon Science



"Teaching science at T.H.S. has really been meaningful. Science students usually do a good job."—Mr. Frank Simon

William Derrikson Industrial
Arts
Robert Hawkins Industrial
Arts, Department Head



Robert Little Industrial Arts,
Basketball Coach
Bruce Thompson Industrial
Arts



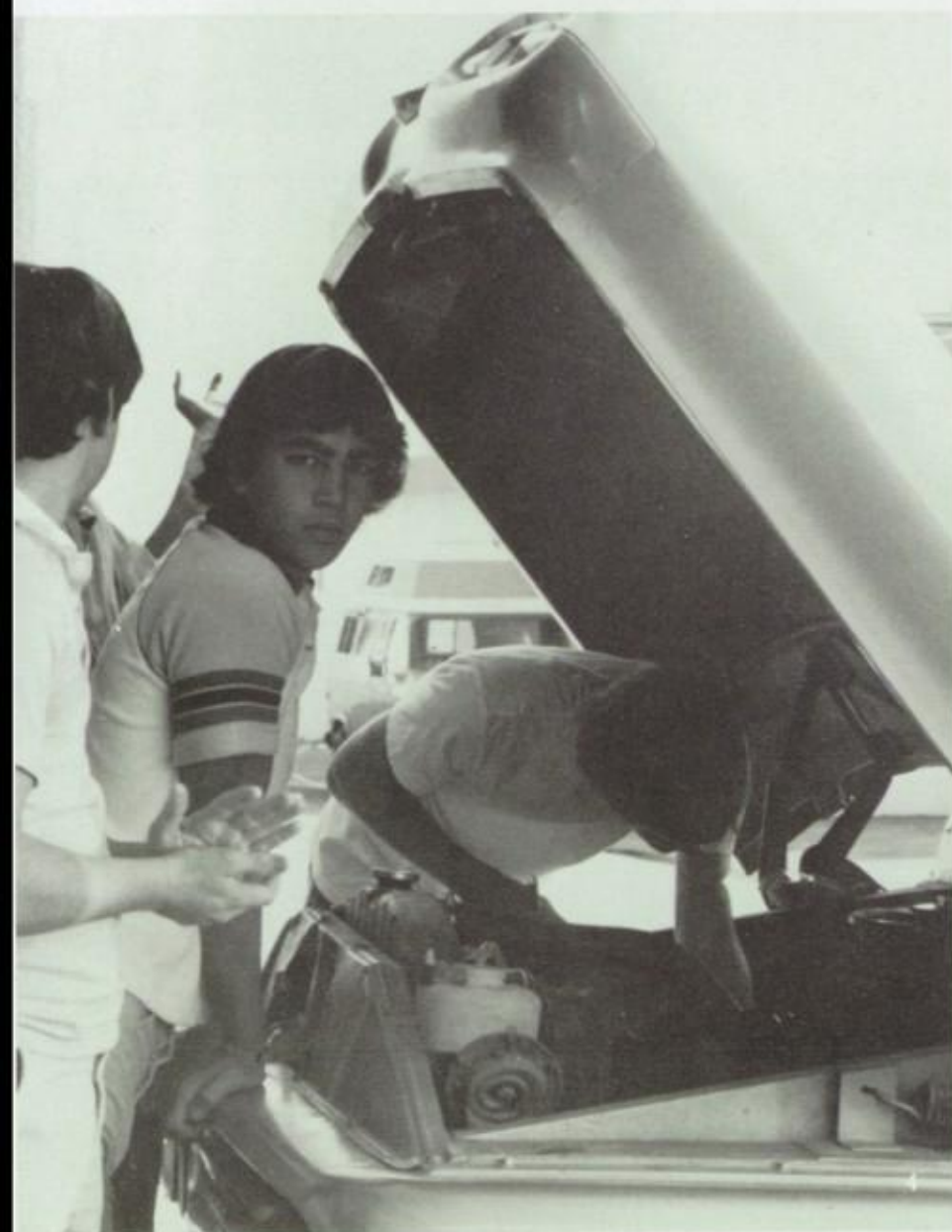
Drafting Prepares Students to Enter Job Market

Unlike most classes at Torrance High, Advanced Technical and Architectural Drafting was a class that prepared students to enter the job market as soon as they completed the course. Robert Little, the instructor, realized the demand for draftsmen in such jobs as engineering, architecture, and construction, and thus designed the class to prepare the students who were seriously considering this type of work for their future careers.

There were about 35 students enrolled in the class who worked on many different projects, from drawing restaurants to designing new homes. During the class period the students could work on the drafting projects independently. "It's an individualized class where you can work at your own speed," stated Metta Tanikawa.

Although most people took drafting to gain learning experience for careers, there were a few students who took the class for a fun and engrossing elective. John Tyrrell described his attitude towards the class by saying, "Drafting is a good class because you can let your mind wander across the page and be creative."

David Landi, a student who was seriously considering going into architecture had found Mr. Little's drafting course especially helpful in teaching him the basics of drafting. "I took drafting because I wanted to get into construction and learn how homes are built. This class plus the one I took at SCROC (Southern California Regional Occupational Center) really helped me understand what goes into constructing houses and other buildings."



1. **Liz Malone, Lars Viklund** and **Bill Tragus** concentrate on their "deadly" biology experiment. 2. Freshman **Kevin Higgins** designs a new health spa in drafting. 3. Using the pipet, **Talarie Troke**

carefully measures two milliliters of sucrose. 4. **Kenny Kelso** and friend work under the hood in auto mechanics. 5. A student checks out the many wires inside a pinball game.

Tartars Get Psyched Up

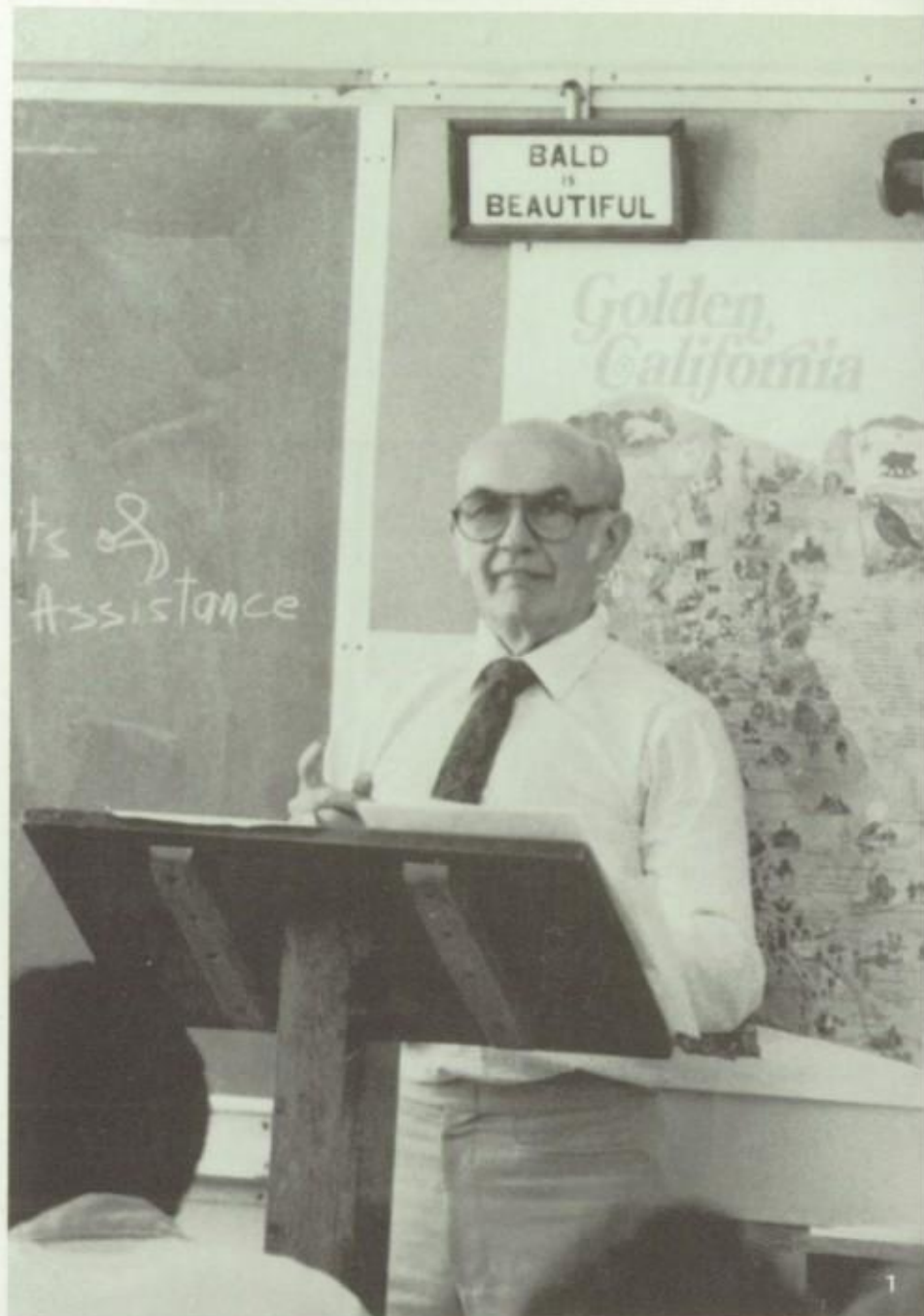
Psychology A, taught by Mr. Zartman and Ms. Scatoloni, was one of the most popular social science electives. Basically, the class enabled students to have a better understanding of human behavior, including their own. The most important units covered in the course were those on personality, motivation and perception. There was also a unit on dream interpretation, in which the students recorded their dreams in journals each morning.

One Psychology A requirement was that each student complete a term paper or project for his final grade. Various studies and experiments of bizarre behavior were done for

some of the projects. For instance, two students went to a shopping mall and left a wallet lying on a bench. They then proceeded to watch people's reactions as they discovered it. Some of the students even went so far as to speak with a foreign accent for a week, in order to record other people's reactions.

Term papers were also a popular choice. Favorite topics for these were hypnosis, dreams, bio-feedback, and schizophrenia.

Mr. Zartman, who teaches both Psychology A and B, says that they are, "probably the two most practical courses at T.H.S. (Torrance High School)."



1. Assuming his typical lecture stance, **Mr. Wesley Peterson** enthralls students with a lecture on United States history and the Writs of Assistance. 2. Foreign exchange student, **Pim Jansen**, examines a pamphlet given to him on the Torrance Historical Society Tour. He stands before a collection of antiques, located in

one of the houses on the tour. 3. As third period students quietly work on their tests, **Mr. Pat Zartman** corrects those tests completed the period before. 4. Senior tour guides, **Kirsten Williams, Kim Ruffel, Dana Harris** and **Kathy Gefvert** pose in their Roaring 20's costumes during the Historical Society Old Homes Tour.



Jim Armstrong-Social Studies, Mayor of Torrance



Graham Buck-Social Studies, Senior Class Council Advisor



John Earhart-Social Studies, Freshman Class Council Advisor



Ynez McGee-Social Studies, English



Wesley Peterson-Social Studies, CSF sponsor



Earle Rossney-Social Studies, Drill Team Sponsor

"I try to make history live and convey to students that past generations were real flesh and blood people."—Mr. Wesley Peterson



Judy Scataloni-Social Studies



Stan Strain-Social Studies, Department Head



Carl Strong-Social Studies



Pat Wright-Social Studies, Senior Class Council Advisor, Pep Squad Advisor, Tartar Lady Advisor



Pat Zartman-Social Studies

William BoergerH and D.E.,
department head, golf
coach

Andy HarrisPhysical
Education, track coach,
wrestling coach



Gerald HollandPhysical
Education, cross country
coach, track coach

Mark KnoxPhysical
Education, department
head, track coach



John RadcliffePhysical
Education, baseball
coach



"Although we were not number 1,
the cross country season was a
success because there was a lot of
team spirit and friendship amongst
the athletes."—Lisa Takata

Vivian SeePhysical
Education

Carol StrongPhysical
Education



Harold WarfleH and D.E.,
department head, rod
and gun club sponsor

Robert WilliamsPhysical
Education, softball coach



Earlybird Surfers Catch the Waves

"It's a fun class, but Hermosa Beach is a little too far away to go each week," commented sophomore David Tadler about his early morning surf class. Surfing was one of the students' favorite physical education electives. The class was taught by Coach Andy Harris during early bird and first periods. At six-thirty a.m. the weather tended to get extremely cold. Therefore, all of the surfers equipped themselves with wetsuits.

Normally, the class met

only three times a week. The Hermosa Pier was the "classroom" for this unusual class, because of its great surf conditions. On days when the surf was not very good, the students went sand running to keep in shape. The sand runs were usually about a mile long and consisted of jogging in and out of the scattered life guard stations. When the surf was good, the waters on each side of the pier were filled with students trying to "catch a wave".



1. Senior **Steve Tomlike** comes toward the shore after "munching" a wave. 2. **Ms. Vivian See** instructs her class about the techniques of

basketball. 3. A surfing student finally catches a good wave. 4. Coach **Andy Harris** joins his P.E. class in a friendly game of flag football.

E.S.L. Students Exposed to California Trends

A student enrolled in the ESL program (English as a Second Language) not only studied English grammar, but also the American way of life. Students from eight or more different countries including Arabia, Vietnam and China learned how young people in California dress, eat, and have fun together.

The creative teaching staff taught the students how to adapt to being in America by talking on such topics as where to go on dates and how to use American currency. Mrs. Brashear, one of the ESL instructors, stated that the topics were unlimited because just about everything that was taught exposed the students to the culture of California.

Some of the students in the class started the year

with as many as five periods of ESL. As the year progressed, they enrolled in classes such as art and ceramics, where English was spoken minimally and they could interact more with American people. Later, the students moved into EFL (English as a Foreign Language), where they learned vocabulary, improved sentences, and prepared for the state proficiency exams.

For some ESL students, just being in a country where school was mandatory was a shock in itself. And being in a classroom with people that spoke so many languages was hard to cope with. But because of the patience and understanding of the staff, the students were exposed to California's culture successfully.



1. Representing Korea, China, and Mexico, **Mark Lee, Anthony Chen** and **Roberto Alvarez** enjoy a good joke in ESL. 2. **Mrs. Knickerson** and three ILC students momentarily look up from their

work. 3. **Mr. Holway** dictates the perfect sentence to **Carla Fales**. 4. After only a few periods of ESL, **Rosario Bautista** and **Laura Larquier** are ready for the fast lifestyle of California.





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Marilyn Brashear English as
a Second Language
Barbara Davidson
Resource Teacher



Robert Maxwell English as
a Second Language,
English
Lynn McFarland Resource
Teacher



Carol Peterson English as a
Second Language,
Foreign Language,
German Club sponsor

"What gives you meaning? What
you do with people."—Mrs. Marilyn
Brashear.



David Holway Individualized
Learning Center
Sue Magnuson
Individualized Learning
Center



Denny Stansell
Individualized Learning
Center
Richard Tamble
Individualized Learning
Center, Department Head

Class Levels Formulate Ideals

A student's years as an underclassman are the most influential years in high school. It is during these years that a student lays the foundation for his future in the same way that an artist first conceives an idea for a painting or sculpture.

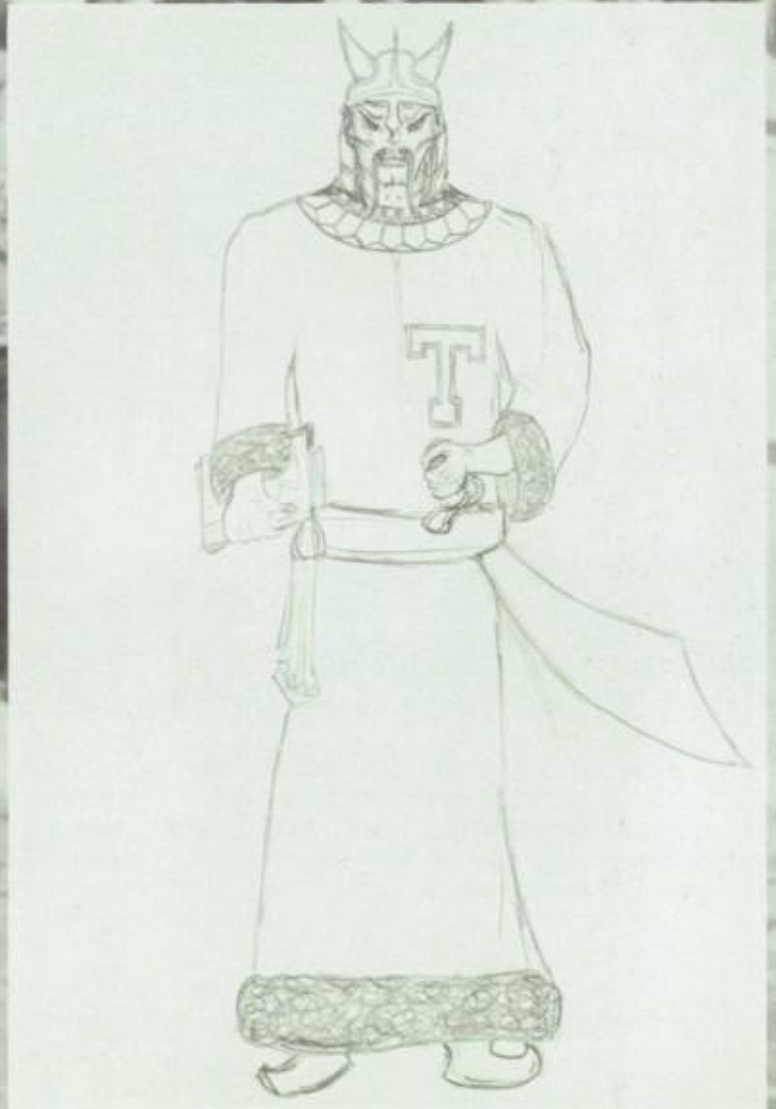
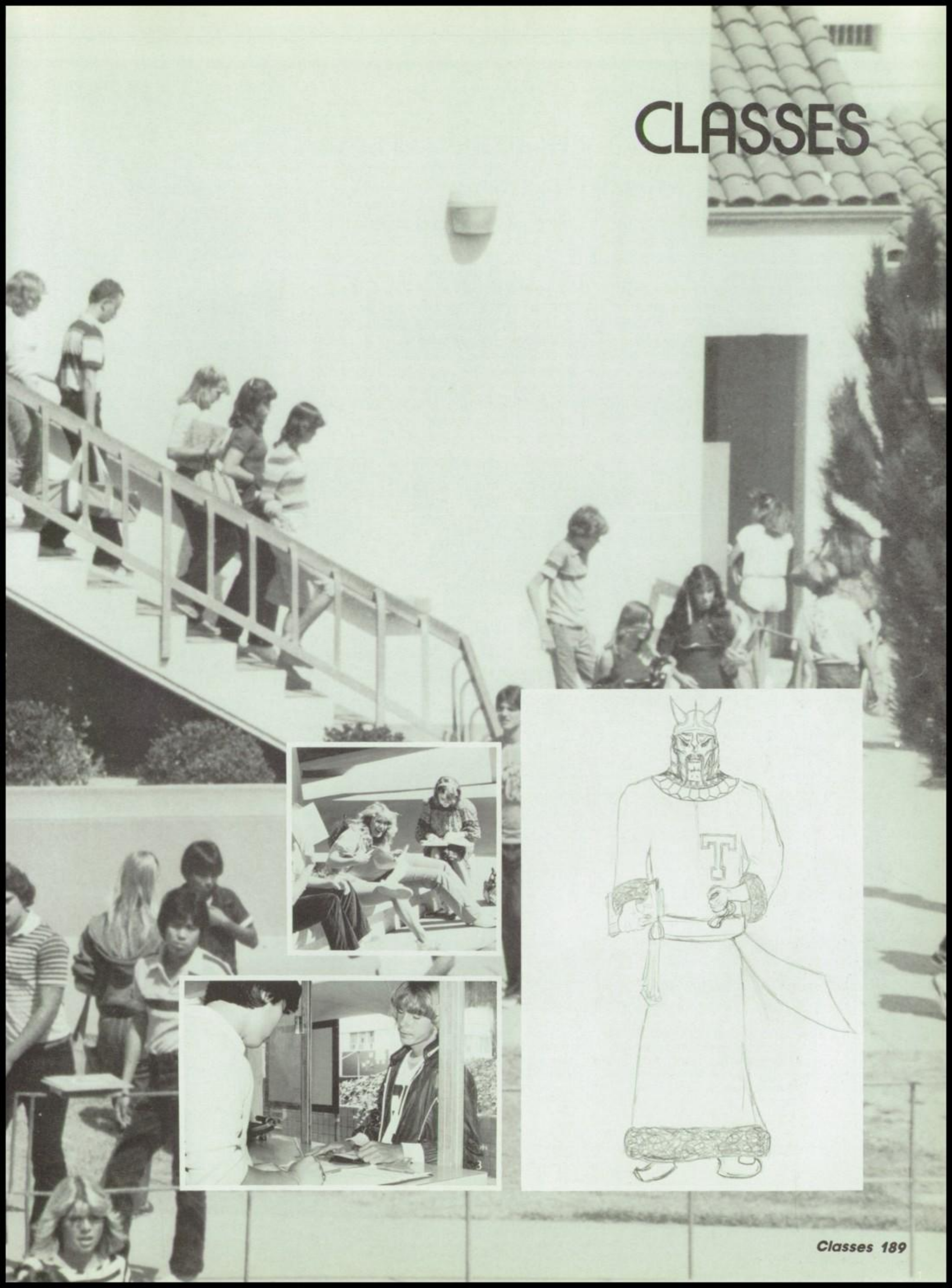
During this three year period, a student begins to work toward his future in life. Starting with summer scheduling as a Freshman, through the many subjects taken before the start of his senior year, an underclassman will begin to form ideals and objectives which he will refine in his last year of high school.

These platforms are probably some of the most important a student will ever develop.

1. Hustling to class is a daily ritual for students. 2. Cramming for a test, **Vicki Doering** is amused by friends. 3. Buying an ASB sticker is an important part of school for students.



CLASSES



Juniors Concentrate On Fund Raising

The Junior Class Council concentrated on raising money and making the year a memorable one. The money it raised was to be contributed to its senior year and senior activities, such as prom. Its biggest fund raiser was the Sadie Hawkins Dance. "Planning Sadie Hawkins was really fun," commented first semester president Claudia Bonilla. The Council also had various sales to raise money. They included bagel, donut and ribbon sales.

All the council members felt that

there were many advantages to being on council. "It teaches you patience, how to work with people and how to organize things," observed first semester secretary Stacy Ryono.

The members also expressed a happiness at being able to serve and contribute to their class and their school. Vice-President Lisa Hayakawa summed up the feelings of her fellow council members, "All the work we put into Council was worth the pleasure we got out of it."



1. Fall Junior Class Council; Front Row: Commissioner of Publicity, **Donna Burleson**; President, **Claudia Bonilla**; Vice President, **Lisa Hayakawa**; Historian, **John Goldsworthy**; Secretary, **Stacy Ryono**. Service League.

Back Row: Representative, **Linda Barker**; ICC Representative, **Melissa Bello**; Historian, **Karen Kwan**; Treasurer, **Lori Fong**; Commissioner of Special Events, **Mary Goodrich**. 2. **Linda Barker** giggles at the humor of her friends.



1. Spring Junior Class Council. Commissioner of Publicity, **David Uyematsu**; Commissioner of Special Events, **Linda Barker**; Vice President, **Lisa Hayakawa**; President, **Stacy Ryono**; Treasurer, **Donna Burleson**; Secretary, **Claudia Bonilla**. Not Pictured: Service League

Representative, **Liz Malone**; ICC Representative, **Jill McNeal**, 2. **Deda Kladouris** charms **Gary Morris** with her dazzling smile. 3. **Liz Malone** chews her fingers guiltily as she ignores her biology to read an exciting novel.



Ernest Abad
Donna Akahoshi
Randall Albanese
Daryl Alison
Susan Allan
Marc Allaria
Robin Altena



Barbara Alvarez
Diana Alvarez
Carla Amos
Staci Andersen
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Paul Arceri
Amy Arnold



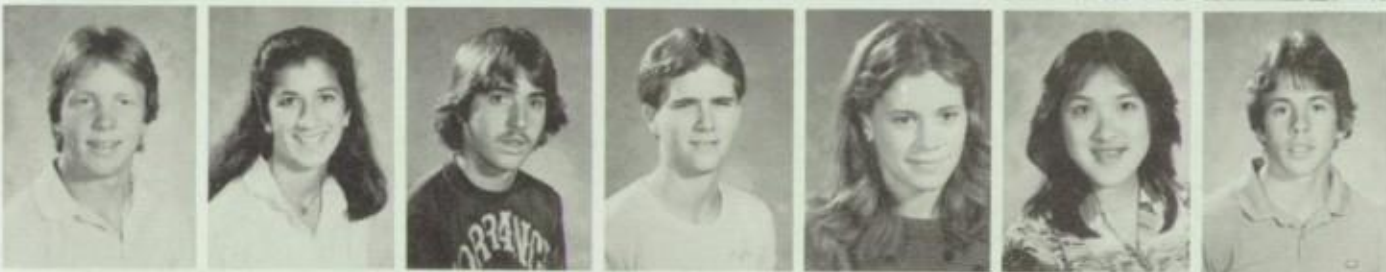
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Dion Barela
Linda Barker
Robert Barker



Jay Barrington
Erin Basmajian
Michael Begneaud
Scott Bellavance
Diana Bello
Melissa Bello
Doug Beranek



Bruce Bergersen
Jerry Berkstresser
Jay Bickley
Christopher Bill
Denise Bittner
Steven Blackey
Bret Bohannon



Juniors Benefit from the Mall

The recently expanded Del Amo Fashion Center provided many different uses for the Torrance High student. Entertainment, food, and a wide selection of shops made up the largest shopping center in the world.

Junior Lori Kerley felt it was "showing a lot of progress in Torrance." The architecture made it very attractive.

The Fashion Center was also a source of employment for many Tartars. There were thousands of

different jobs that could be found. In addition, Del Amo was a place to go when there was nothing else to do. Cindy Allen said, "It's a good place to pick up on mall rats."

Linda Shartle added, "It's a good place to spend your money, if you've got it." Bullocks, Robinsons, The Broadway, Ohrbachs, and I. Magnin were some of the mall's fine department stores where many students bought most of their

clothes.

Lisa Campbell also mentioned that the "good eating facilities" were a nice feature. One could find any eating establishment from 31 Flavors to Houlihan's for a snack or a good meal.

The Del Amo Fashion Center provided students with a place to buy clothes, records, sporting goods, and food, and a place to see movies or look for something to do.



Claudia Bonilla
Tom Boskovich



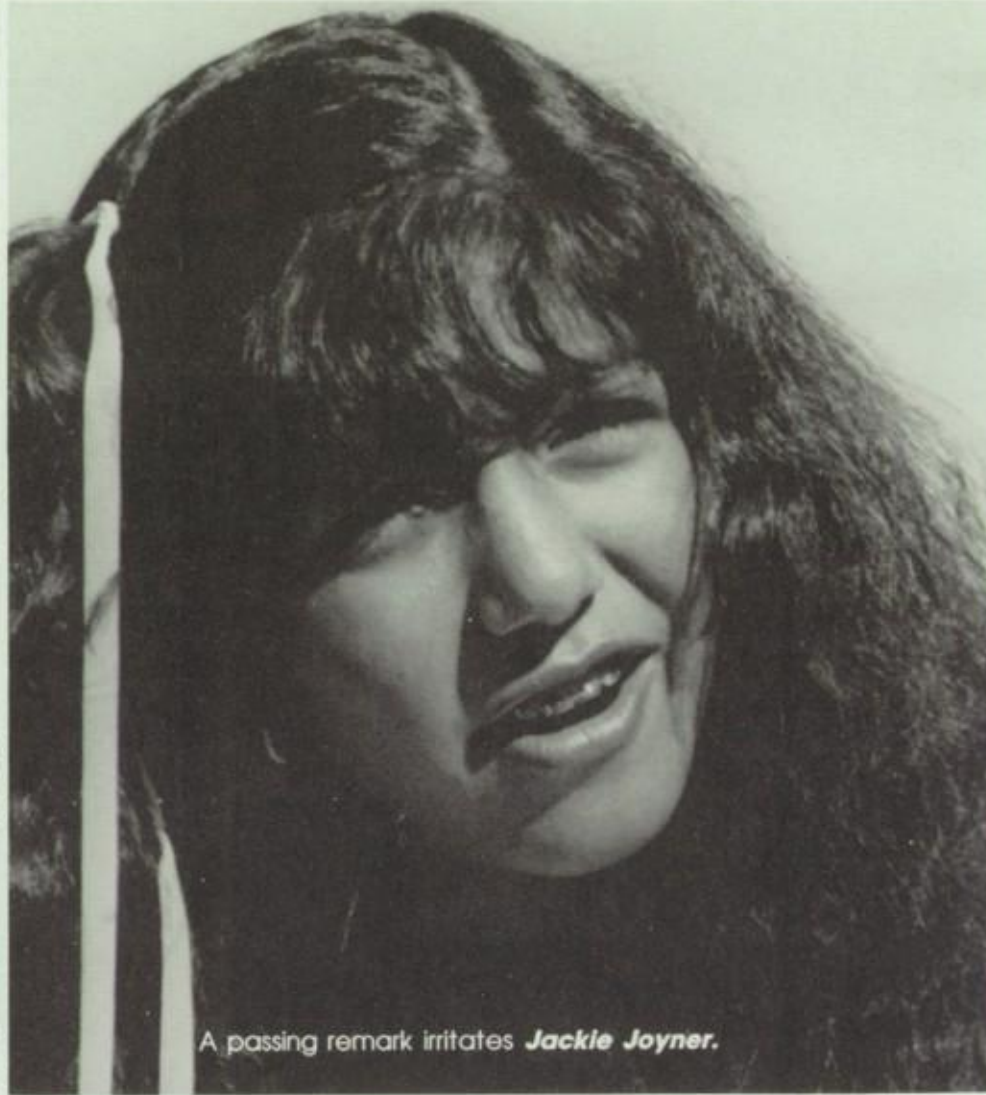
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Joseph Brennan
Sean Brennan



Hope Broselow
Stacey Brown



A passing remark irritates **Jackie Joyner.**



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Karen Bunch
Jay Burke
Donna Burleson
Sean Burnham



Thomas Burt
Judy Butler
Norma Cadwell
Ellen Camacho
Martha Camacho
Lisa Campbell
Jay Canfield



Gustavo Carranza
Michael Carter
Sharon Carter
Angeline Castillo
Hilda Chan
Don Chang
Michael Chen



Yong Chon
Michael Christensen
Jung Chung
Marc Clark
Joseph Cleverdon
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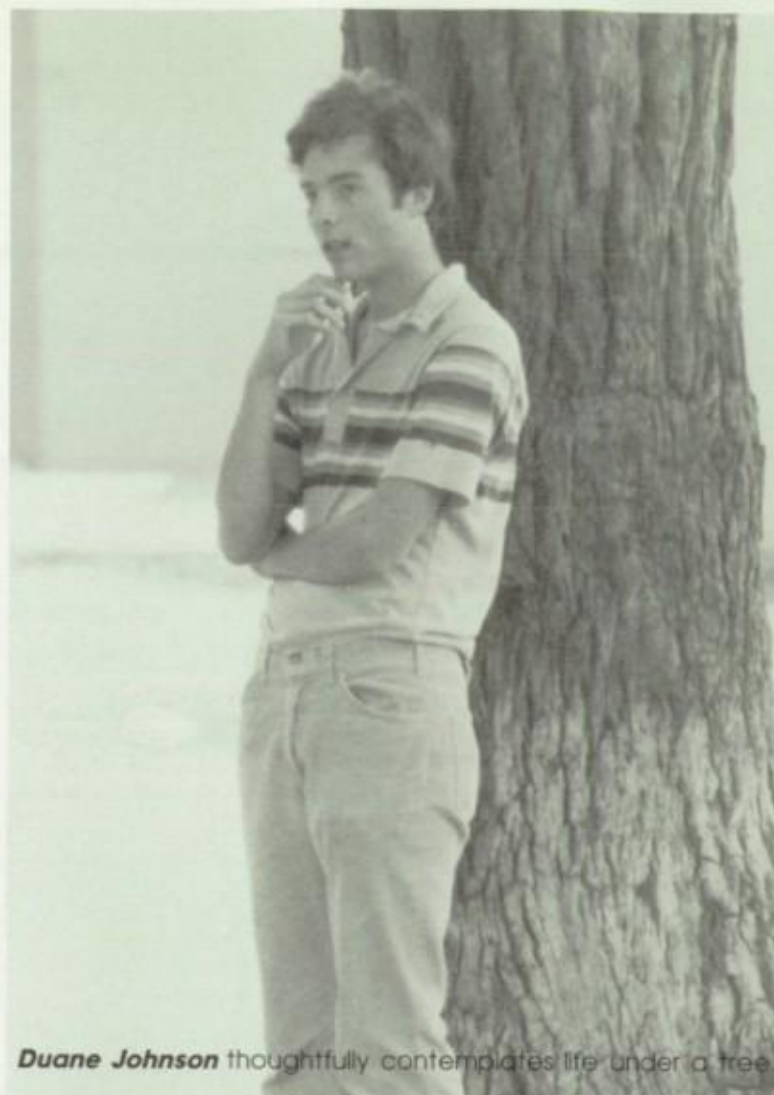
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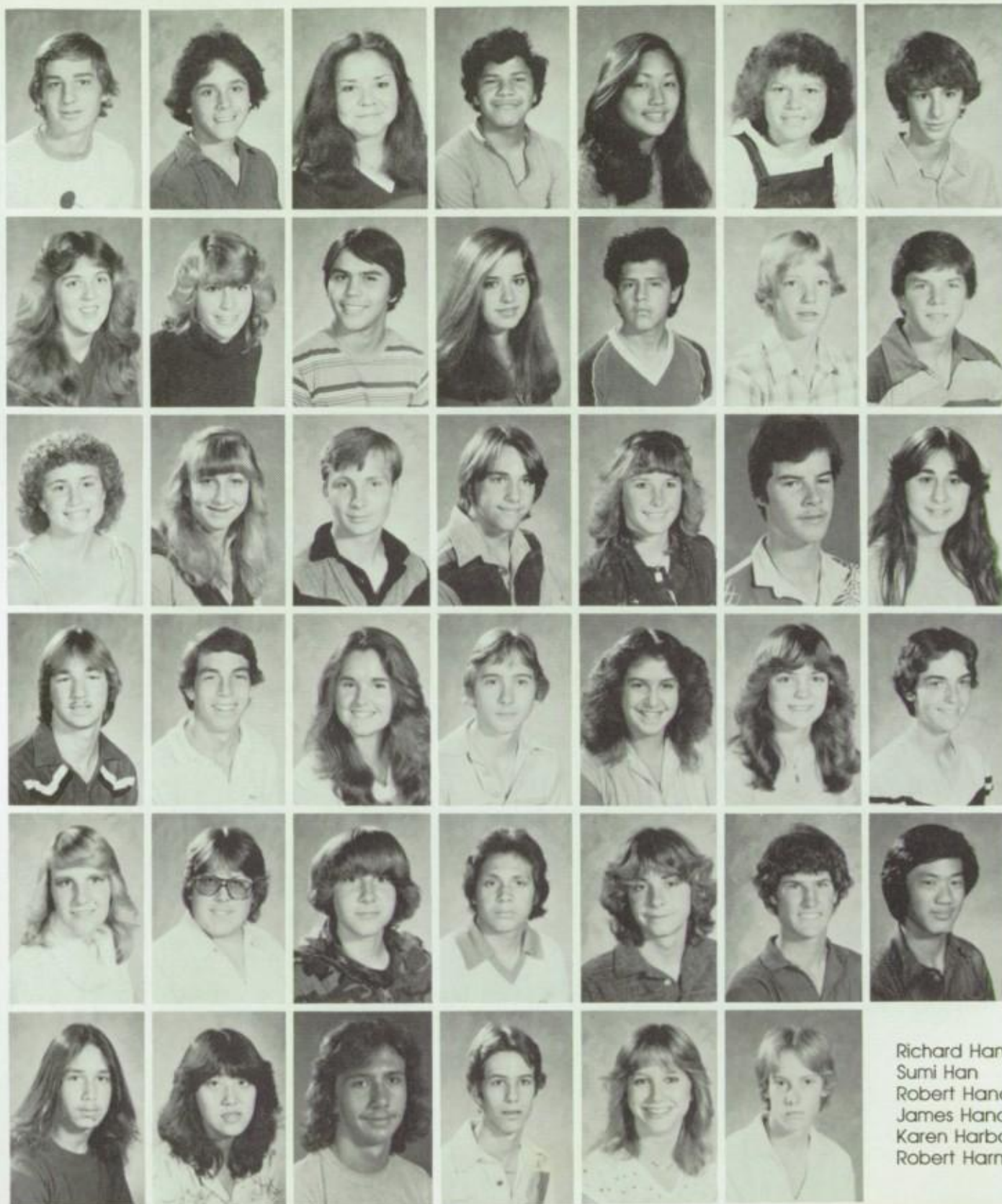
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Daniel Eudy
Rod Evans

Darryl Everts
Marvin Farmer
Ella Farquhar
Karen Farquhar
Pia Farra
Frances Feliciano
Angel Fernandez



Duane Johnson thoughtfully contemplates life under a tree.





Matthew Fieri
Ricardo Flores
Anna Florez
Pablo Florez
Lori Fong
Melodie Foster
David Frandsen

Gwenllyan Granz
Sandra Freeland
Gary Gagarinas
Heide Garcia
Maria Garcia
Eric Gates
Brian Gerber

Leslie Gerhardt
Carla Gesch
Daniel Gibson
Sean Gibson
Lisa Gillard
William Gillett
Rita Gior

Richard Goldsmith
John Goldsworthy
Mary Goodrich
Daniel Grantham
Sonia Grebe
Karen Briebel
Owen Griffith

Shelly Gross
James Grundy
Brian Gunter
Marcial Guzman
Matthew Gyetvay
Mark Hall
Richard Hamada

Richard Hamner
Sumi Han
Robert Hancock
James Hand
Karen Harbour
Robert Harmon

Mixed Emotions Greet Policy

Torrance High students had to change their sometimes relaxed attitudes toward attending school. The new attendance policy limited students to ten absences per semester. If an eleventh day of absence occurred, the student either lost credit or successfully appealed his case to the administration.

Most students felt that the new policy was to their benefit because they were at school more often and didn't fall behind in their classes. However, some felt that school put too much

emphasis on just being there. One student commented, "The Attendance Office treated me like an employee."

Vicki Doering stated, "By playing tennis, I'll have missed fifth period more than ten times and I don't want to hassle the appeal process."

The policy compelled students to be aware of how often they were absent and to consider if they really were sick. Accordingly, some students saved absences for special occasions such as ski trips or concerts.



Stephanie Harper
Dean Harris
Nik Harris
David Hatakeyama
Eric Hatt
Patricia Hawes
Lisa Hayakawa



Eric Hayés
Deanna Hendrick
Kenneth Henry
David Hirst
Yoski Honda
Andy Houston
Patrick Hughes



Corrina Hunke
My Huynh
Azusa Inaba
Christine Irvine
Micah Irvine
Krista Iverson
Jennifer Jamieson



Sheri Jang
Kevin Jean
Duane Johnson
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Michael Jones



Raouyia Joudi
Jacqueline Joyner
Sharon Kasabian
Cynthia Kasterko
Kim Keidser
Kenneth Kelso
Jeri Kennison



Lori Kerley
Sean Kevany
Yong Kim
Michael King
Tracy Kirkpatrick
Deda Kladouris
Tammy Klein



Gerhardt Explores Her Heritage

Blazing hot breezes, the sun shining down at 110°, brown, flat desert, and patches of green hills were among the first sensations and sights junior Leslie Gerhardt experienced on her nine week excursion to Israel. She journeyed with the Summer Ulpan program, consisting of 160 young people in the greater LA area.

Gerhardt stayed at dorm-like hostels and camps along the beaches. She was able to take some courses on the history and language of Israel, as well as participate in the community by helping out at a day care center.

Two historical places she saw was the Yad Vashem, a Holocaust museum, and the Church of Sepuchet, which was the birth place of Christ in Bethlehem.

Gerhardt had such a pleasurable time in Israel that she would like to return and see the Masada mountain, the beautiful Israeli coastline, Jerusalem, and friends she made as well as the unique Israeli lifestyle. With a nostalgic sigh, Gerhardt said, "It was really a neat experience. I'm glad I went, because I learned a lot."





Victor Kovacs



Colleen Kozawa



Lisa Krant



Glancing up, **Christine Irvine** takes a break from intense studying.



Jill Kroeger
Stacey Krutsinger
Miroslava Kubes
Takao Kurado
Karen Kwan
Stephanie Laird
David Landi



Heidi Larson
Carolyn Latulip
Melinda Laucht
Naomi Leach
Kimberly Learman
Charles Lee
Steven Lee



Steven Lee
Laurie Lemke
Julie Lennan
Stacey Lindemuth
Charles Linkous
Tony Liston
Patricia Lobb



Grant Logan
Frank Lopez
Kerry Lower
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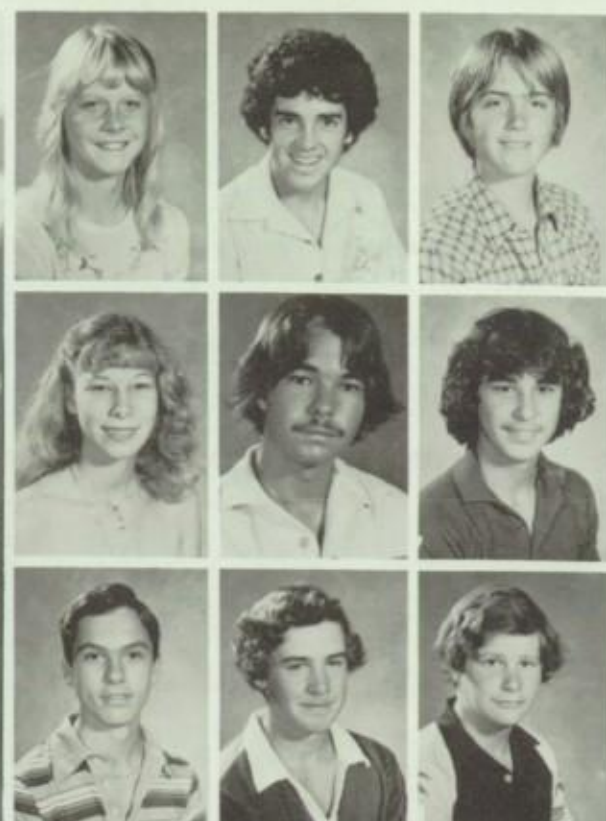
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James Marshall
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Stephanie Martin
Daniel Martinez
Steven Martinez

Juan Más
Darryl Mattern
Michael Maybury



Norine Aoki turns to greet a friend in the milling crowd.



Mary McAchran
Kimberly McConnell
Keith McCormack
Derek McDaniels
Mary McDermott
James McDonald
Shelly McDonald



Denise McFarland
Milton McGill
Annette McNally
Dana McKee
Joseph McKenna
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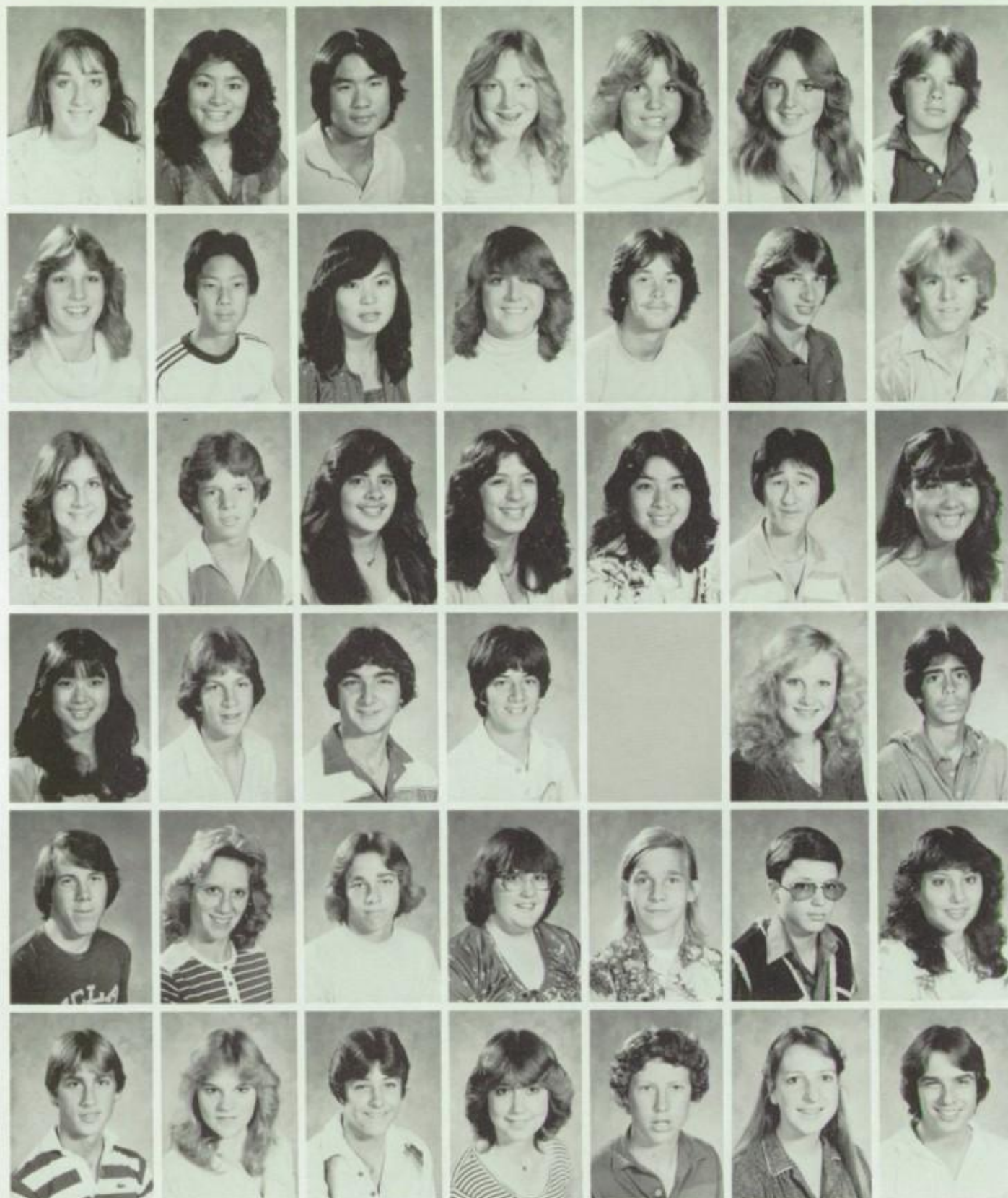


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Tony Moreno
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Sandra Morgan
Shawn Morgan
Nigel Morley
Gary Morris
Jamie Morris





Kathryn Morris
Gale Naito
Bryce Nakasato
Mary Ellen Napier
Debra Nelson
Kimberly Nelson
Donald Newcomb

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Mike O'Neill
Joann Ochoa
Valerie Ochoa
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Socrates Ostoposides
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Robert Pagan
Henry Pagkalinawan
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Robert Pantanini

David Parker
Sandra Parker
Ross Parmalee
Kimberly Parvin
Daniel Paschen
Tony Patterson
Rhonda Paugh

David Pendleton
Pamela Pennington
Tim Perdew
Lynann Perry
David Petersen
Annette Peterson
Gary Pettit

Chang and Griffith Gain Medical Experience

There were many students who were looking into the possibility of having a career in the medical field. Two juniors, Owen Griffith and Don Chang, were looking a little more seriously than the rest.

In order to gain experience in the field of medicine, both Chang and Griffith volunteered their services to the Harbor-UCLA Medical Center last summer.

"You should know the facts before you jump into it," said Griffith, pointing out that getting

experience in high school can prevent one from making the mistake of going to college for several years, just to find out one doesn't like the job he studied so hard to be good at.

When asked if there were any drawbacks, Chang replied, "It can be grotesque." Chang worked in the research lab. Griffith worked in the patient care department of the hospital and was sort of a "doctor's apprentice." Griffith liked it with the exception of the

crabby patients he sometimes had to deal with. Chang and Griffith both agreed that the benefits outweighed the drawbacks.

Griffith mentioned that the newness of the medical field made it interesting, and Chang added that one could get college recommendations from working with doctors.

Leonard Pettit
Aino Phillips
Kimberly Pike
Dion Poling
William Powell
Gary Pozek
Eric Prestwood



Mark Prow
Cary Purves
Robert Rajcok
Angela Ramirez
Lorena Ramirez
David Rauscher
Huey Ray



Tracy Ream
Susan Reasor
Chaney Reed
Brian Reynaert
Romulo Ribiero
Steffanie Richardson
Frank Rizzo



Michael Roberts
Judith Robinson
Carole Rocha
Laura Rock
Juan Rodriguez
Guillermo Rodriguez
Joann Rodriguez



Mike Romero
John Roper
Daniel Rosas
James Ross
Michelle Rubens
Robert Ruffell
Charles Russell



Corinne Russell
Stacy Ryono
Victor Sack
Denise Sackman
William Saldeen
Richard Santiago
Lisa Santini



SCROC Teaches Job Skills

The Southern California Regional Occupational Center, located at 2300 Crenshaw Boulevard in Torrance, offered vocational training which was not offered at Torrance High. SCROC, as it was commonly referred to, trained students who were seeking jobs after high school. For those who planned to attend college, SCROC offered skills that could be used for part-time jobs to help finance the college student. These

skills were in fields, such as Data Processing, Communications, Business, and cosmetology.

Because of the nature of the classes at SCROC, it was attended by school districts including Torrance, El Segundo, South Bay and Palos Verdes Peninsula. To the students who participated in the three hour, daily sessions at SCROC, 15 credits were given, and transportation was provided.



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Karen Kwan tries to catch the eye of a special guy.



Dean Sasaki
Marty Saucedo

James Scarcella
Kevin Schaeffer

Stephen Schirf
Jennifer Schlerf

John Schmidt
Richard Schmidt

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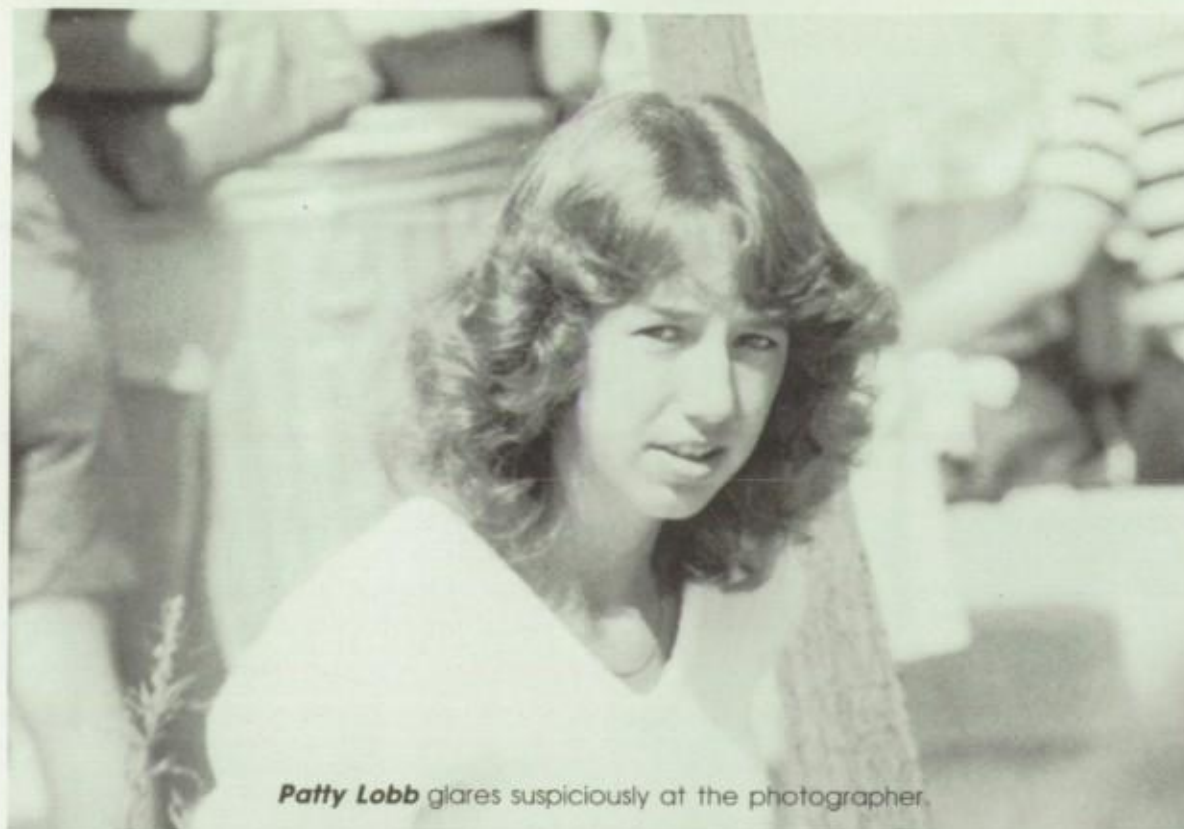
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Christine Spellacy
Brian Sprague

Denise St. Amand

Tracy Stevenson

Sharon Stinson



Patty Lobb glares suspiciously at the photographer.



Michele Storrie
Scott Stratford
Robert Strelch
Troy Sumitomo
Beth Summers
Karen Synski
Lisa Takata



Judy Tamada
Wesley Tateyama
Doree Taylor
Trisha Taylor
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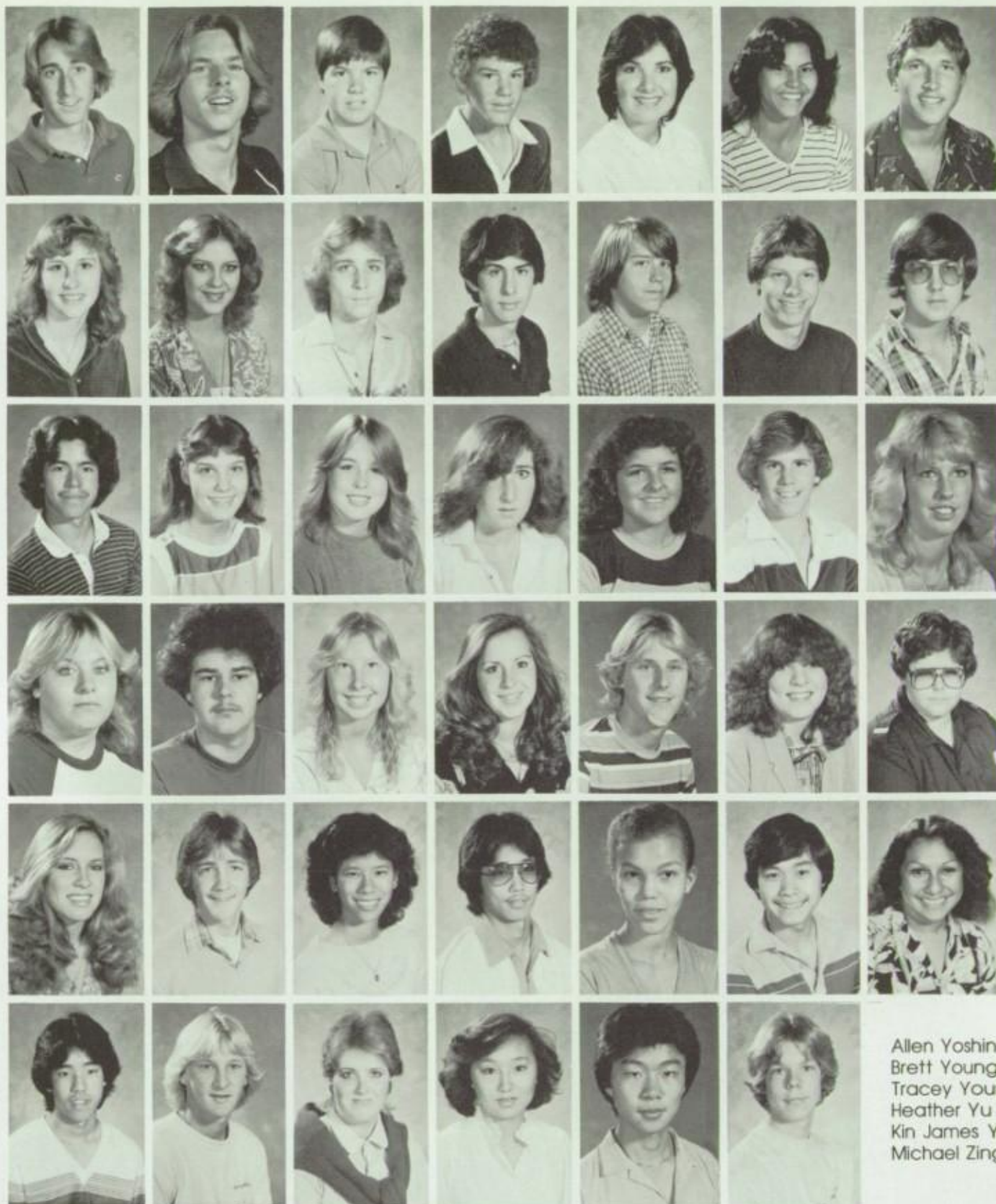


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Tri Tran
Vinh Tran



Talarie Troke
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Cathy Urwin
David Uyematsu





Gregory Uythoven
Mike Vaage
Brian Van Waay
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Charles Villasenor

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Vonda Westbay

Teri Whitbeck
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Lisa Williams
Timothy Williams
Kimberley Wixom
David Wood

Susan Woolhether
Steven Wright
Catherine Yamamoto
Mark Yanai
Joyce Yancy
Raymond Yap
Rosa Ybarra

Allen Yoshino
Brett Young
Tracey Young
Heather Yu
Kin James Yu
Michael Zingery

Juniors Budget Time for Jobs

Since the recent expansion of Torrance, Torrance High students had a larger choice of where they wanted to work. Before taking a job, students considered if they could maintain their grade point average as well as work. Students jobs differed immensely, ranging from Baskin Robbins to nursing homes.

Most students worked part time between 15 and 20 hours a week. They felt it helped them to mature and also to become self sufficient. Furthermore, handling jobs taught

them how to budget time wisely.

Junior Claudia Bonilla said, "It's hard for me to keep track of all the things I'm suppose to do. I'm so busy with class council, academic classes and working, sometimes I feel like going crazy! Working has limited my school activities."

Another Junior Jennifer Silagy commented, "Working makes me feel responsible. Besides, I enjoy buying my own clothes and paying for my insurance."



Sophomores Unite In Activities

"Everyone was always willing to do more than their share of the work," replied Cindy Powell when asked how the fall sophomore class council worked together. Because of the willingness of the members, the council was able to take part in many new activities and fund raisers. Selling maroon and white pom-poms at football games, having bagel sales, donut sales, helping with volleyball concession stands and selling shirts printed with "Class of '84" were just a few of the profitable fund raisers held by the council.

The enthusiastic council also held a sophomore picnic on November 7 at Wilson Park to raise money for football uniforms to be worn by next year's team. They sponsored a "Stamp Out Hunger" campaign, asking the student body to turn in cancelled postage stamps, and sang Christmas carols at a nearby convalescent hospital. "The convalescent trip we took was really

heartwarming; it was something I'll never forget," recalled Steve Silbiger.

The second semester's council proved to be just as diligent and spirited as the fall council. Working in their Sprit Spectacular booth, and coordinating the awards for the Sophomore Super Stars was tough work, that took many hours of planning. Reflected spring President Regina Talmo, "This semester's council was very close and that really helped when it came to organizing the different events. We raised a lot of money, had fun and really tried to get the Sophomore Class united."

"I think our student council did a super job. You could tell they were really trying to get the sophomores more involved and spirited . . . I mean we won spirit contests at three of the pep rallies!" commented sophomore Grace Shibasaki.



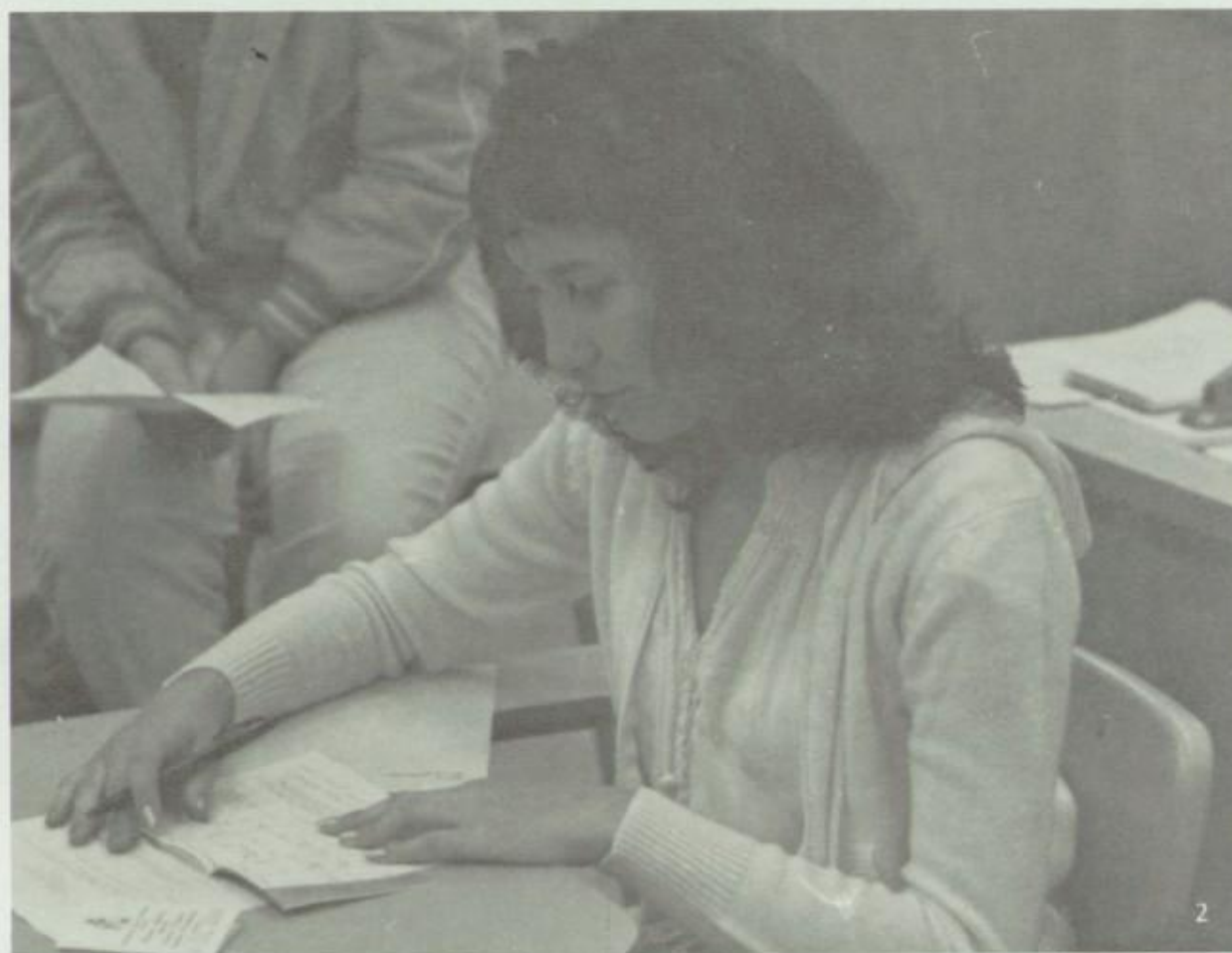
1. Spring semester council. Front row: **Amanda Watase**, Vice President; **Regina Talmo**, President; **Cindy Powell**, Commissioner of Special Events. Back row: **Michelle Roertson**, Treasurer; **Debbie Miller**, ICC rep.; **Lisa St. Amand**, Commissioner of Publicity; **Chris Nelson**, Service League rep.; **Leslie Adams**, Secretary. 2. Fall semester council. First row: **Dana Marsh**, ICC rep.; **Missy**

Villesenor, Historian; **Lisa Collinson**, Vice President; **Lisa Prevost**, Service League rep; **Cindy Powell**, President. Back row: **Janet Wagner**, Secretary; **Esther Barret**, Commissioner of Special Events; **Marie Garvey**, Commissioner of Publicity; **Craig Burgner**, Historian; **Steve Silbiger**, Treasurer. 3. Helping with window painting. **Julie Claxton** and **Esther Barrett** mix colors.



1. **Regina Talmo, Esther Barrett and Marie Gravey** try to think of a good fund raiser. 2. Fall President **Cindy Powell** checks her

calendar to squeeze in another event. 3. In class, sophomore **Metta Tanikawa** giggles at a funny joke.



Leslie Adams
Marie Aguilar
Julia Allan
Gabriel Almeida
Virginia Alonzo
Arthur Amezcua
Charles Anderson



Dawn Anderson
Robert Anderson
Ronda Anderson
Traci Armstrong
Douglas Arnold
Virginia Arredondo
Martin Baldenegro



Marion Balding
Irene Barraza
Esther Barrett
Sahar Barsour
Eric Barszcz
Tracy Barton
Christine Basham



Rosario Bautista
Eric Bejar
Andrea Belmonte
David Bennett
Jay Bennett
Tyrone Bennett
Sheri Bill



James Black
Marvin Blackmore
Sherri Blaurock
Joan Bohan
James Botz
Gretchen Brennan
Ann Bridi



David Bristol
Kelly Brooks
Crissa Brown
Edward Brzezinski
Thomas Bulowski
Dawn Bunting
Danny Burgess



H. & D.E., D.T.—Driven Off Course

Among the numerous recent changes at Torrance High was the alteration of the health and Drivers' Education (H. and D.E.) and Drivers' Training (D.T.) Program. It consisted of one semester of Health, one quarter of Drivers' Ed., and one quarter of D.T. and simulator instruction.

With the local school district's notion to save money, the H. and D.E. and D.T. Program was cut down to a semester course consisting of one quarter Health and one quarter of Drivers' Ed.,

plus two hours of D.T. and simulator instruction after school and Saturday for two weeks. This saved the district money, since they discontinued the use of credential teachers and made a contract with a local driving school, Safeway, to train the students instead.

Sophomore Tim Conlon's reaction to the program was, "Driving after school conflicts a lot with activities and sports, plus it's tiring driving at night, after going to school all day."

The two-hour simulator instruction alternated every other day with D.T. Jill Okinaka commented on the arrangement, "The simulator was too long and I really didn't learn much from it."

All aspects considered, H. and D.E. teacher of 15 years, Willard Boerger stated, "Drivers' Education and Drivers' Training is a valuable part of a young person's schooling to help him/her drive successfully and potentially reduce accidents, injuries, and fatalities."



Craig Burgner
Leah Burnham



Craig Burris
Stephanie Buzzetta



Edwin Calderon
Monica Cardoza



Dean Splizzini shows his gratitude to "back seat driver" Trent Trapp.



Jennifer Carlson
Jodene Carlson
Ernie Carol
Christa Carrillo
Michelle Castille
Mona Castillo
Toni Cefalone



Brian Chafin
Wen-Hsin Chang
Deanna Chavez
Michelle Chavez
Ryan Chenoweth
Hee Cho
Jae Chong



Elaine Chough
Lisa Clark
Lisa Cloffey
Kim Coburn
Gary Coker
Cindy Colburn
Lisa Collinson



Timothy Conlon
Rusty Cooper
Theresa Cotner
Tammy Cowan
James Crossman
Olga Lidia Cruz
Tiffany Cumiford



Lewis Currier
Robert Daley
Daniel Darling
David Darrow
Angela Davis
Eddie Dawson
Artie De La Torre

Phillip De Leon
Juan Del Salto
Teresa Del Castillo

George Detor
Phillip De Giacomo
Joey Domizio

Risa Doremus
Roxanne Dotson
Terence Doyle

Genia Draper
Kellie Dunn
Cheri Durham

Jerry Ebersole
Derek Eby
David Eisenhut
Thomas Elkington
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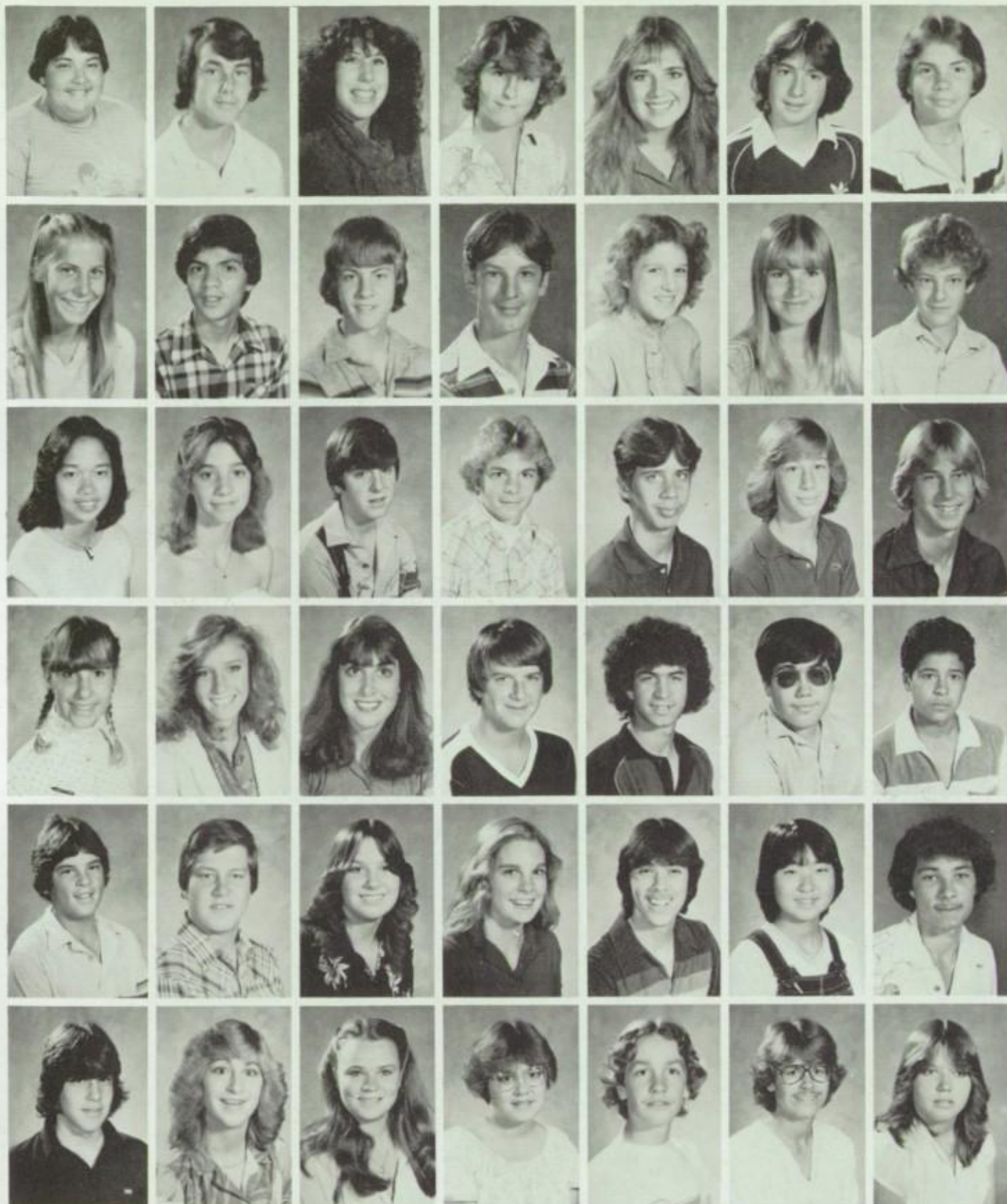
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Robert Garcia

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Maria Gateley
Lisa Gates
John Gibbs
Roxanne Gigena
Ronite Gluck
George Gomez



Cruising on a roadrun, **Curt Rentro** tries to keep cool.





Richard Gonzales
Jeff Goodson
Michelle Gordon
Robert Gordon
Kelly Grangruth
Rolando Grebe
Shawn Groveunder

Michelle Guillory
Francisco Gutierrez
Douglas Gyetvay
Jonathon Hadley
Karen Hahn
Desiree Haines
Randal Hampton

Kimberly Hanakahi
Catherine Hand
Troy Hardwick
David Harns
Keith Harrington
Mark Harris
Kevin Hatt

Kari Henderson
Paula Hendrick
Jacqueline Hendricks
James Hendrix
Brian Hernadi
Alfred Hernandez
Juan Hernandez

Tim Herrera
Guy Hill
Michelle Hilton
Susan Hollis
Brett Hollomon
Shoko Honda
David Horvath

William Hosken
Cynthia Houske
Wendy Huber
Teri Hucks
Richard Huey
David Hughes
Patsy Humphrey

Richardson Floats on Top

Sophomore Mike Richardson was one of the top swimmers in the nation and was hoping to become a competitor in the 1988 Olympics. He was a member of the San Pedro YMCA and the Amateur Athletic Union, in which he had swim meets every weekend lasting from ten to twelve hours.

He also traveled to Florida once a year to compete in the Junior National Swim Meet. Although his best events seemed to be the

100 and 200 yard backstroke, he preferred to swim the 200 and 400 yard individual medley.

Richardson dedicated himself to practicing every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday morning from 5:30 to 7, and then again every night from 5 to 7:15. All this hard work paid off in 1980 at the South Coast Swimming Meet. Richardson swam his personal best times in the 200 and 100 yard backstroke, ranking him fourth and fifteenth, respectively, in the

nation for his age division.

Richardson started competing at age seven and earned over 200 medals by the time he was 11. By age 15, he had so many medals that, as he accumulated more medals, he either threw them away or gave them to relatives. Richardson's future goals were to make the 1984 Olympic trials and then become a member of the 1988 Olympic swim team.

Kimberly Hunter
Pattee Hunter
Loan Huynh
Kimberly Ihde
Lisa Ivers
Leroy Jackson
Rayne James



Kenneth James
Traci Janoski
Lisa Jaramillo
Tandie Jarvis
Gary Jensen
Susan Jersey
Brett Johansen



Curtis Johansen
Carole Johnson
Denise Johnson
Mary Johnson
Richard Johnson
Sherri Johnson
Sean Jones



Abigail Joseph
Lee Judge
Ladan Kaghazi
Mojgan Kaghazi
Kurt Kargl
Wendy Kashitani
Keith Kato



June Kikuchi
Esther Kim
Steven Kisling
Seiichiro Kita
Jill Kling
Paul Klintworth
Marci Koehn



Albert Kovacs
Maria Kubes
Robert Kujawski
Eric Kuo
Yo Shiun Kuo
Le Ann La France
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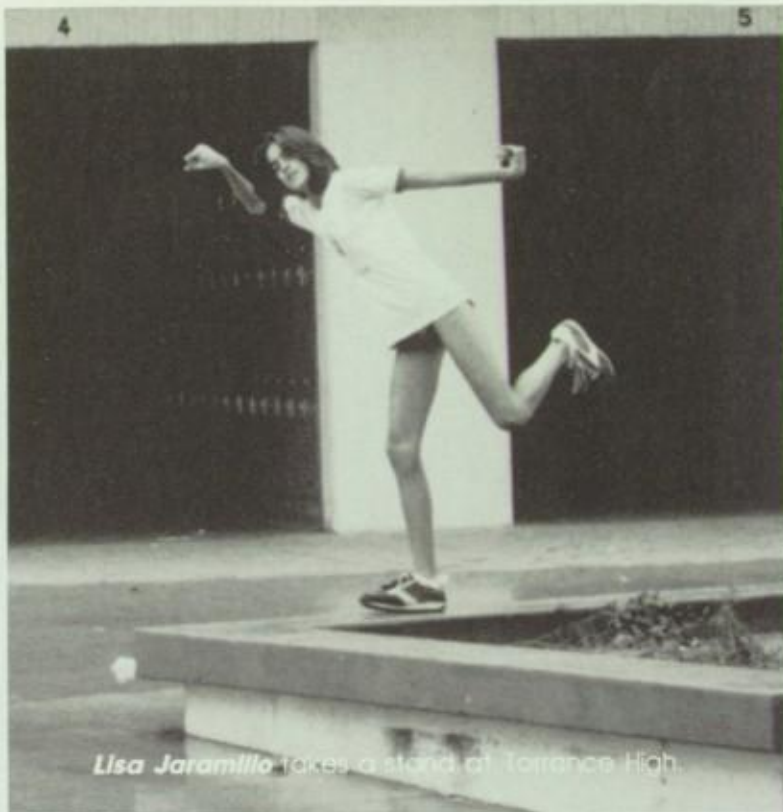
Barriers Go Down at T.H.S.

Sexual barriers in class selection disappeared for the most part, but remnants of old-fashioned thought still remained.

In the traditionally female-dominated cooking courses there was almost one-to-one ratio of males to females. Danny Rodriguez, a senior taking Foods and Nutrition, replied, "I like this class. I'm learning a lot of stuff that I'm going to need to know."

Dr. Bruce Thompson, the auto mechanics instructor, and Mr. Robert Hawkins, a wood shop and electronics teacher, both thought industrial arts courses were as important for females as males. Jackie Joyner, a junior enrolled in Auto I, said that learning about cars is important. "Now I don't have to depend on guys if my car breaks down," she said.





Lisa Jaramillo takes a stand at Torrance High.

Michael Larkin
Suarez Larquer
Denise Laursen

John Lavezzari
William Layman
Frank Lazarin

Monica Leack
Danny Lebus
Dori Lee

Jacqueline Lee
Michelle Lee
Minsun Lee
Steve Lee
Lisa Leibovitz
Lelanie Lewis
Kathleen Lillis

Jeffery Linkous
Jeffery Linton
Gary Lippert
Debbie Little
Tracy Lockhart
Adriana Lollino
Ingrid Long

Valerie Loqueullano
Thomas Lucas
Richard Lujan
Beth Lunschen
Rochelle Maciel
Sean Madden
Carol Maehara

Jeffrey Manuel
Keith Marble
Erica Marcroft
Deena Marcum
John Marin
Dana Marsh
Patricia Martin

Emily Martinez
Christa Martizia
Takafumi Maruyama
Michael Matis
Alan Matsumoto
Sheri Matbury
Erik Mc Beth

Sheila Mc Broom
Jeff Mc Daniel

Kathleen Mc Kennon
Glenn Mc Kinney

Brian Mc Knight
Thomas Mc Manus

Joe Mc Rae
Denise Meats

Brent Meechan
Shawn Meggitt
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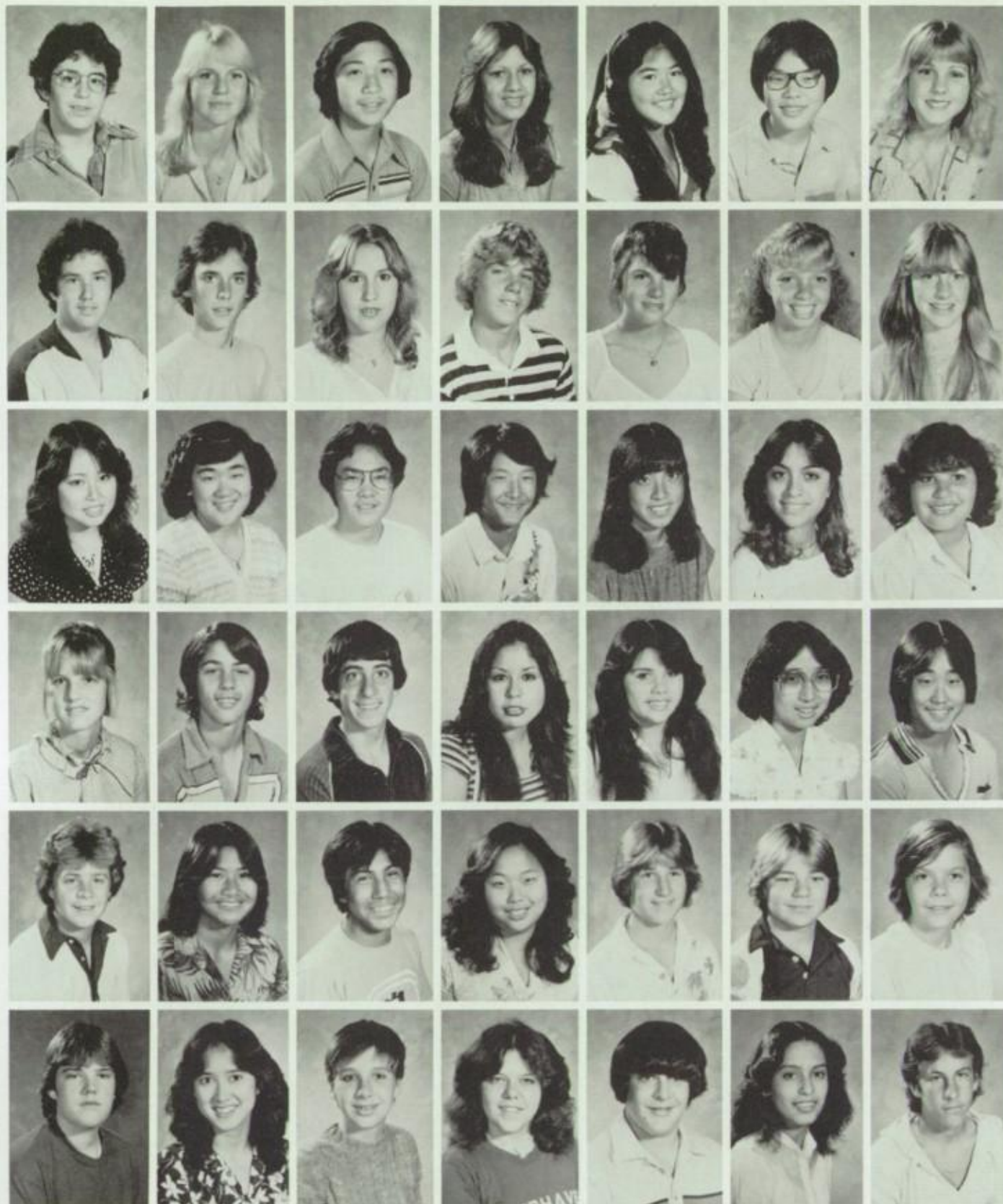
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Christopher Murray
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Sharon Nehring
Christina Nelson
Garth Nelson



Completing her film developing process, **Gail Gagarinas** is ready to put the film hypo back into its container.





Aaron Ness
Heidi Neu
Nolan Ng
Lisa Nichols
Joyce Nishihira
Robert Nishimuta
Jennifer Nolen

Brett Noone
Brad Nordhoff
Patricia Nowatka
Tim Nugent
Pegeen O Connell
Bonnie O Neill
Cheryl Ogden

Susan Oh
Lynne Ohara
Bryon Okada
Hiroki Okamoto
Jill Okinaka
Nilda Olea
Maria Olloque

Darlene Olson
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Scott Orloff
Renee Ortega
Valerie Ortiz
Carol Otani
John Owen

Derek Owens
Hazel Pagkalinawan
Luis Palacios
Ann Park
Derric Parker
Chad Parmalee
Patrick Patterson

Scott Patton
Laurette Paulus
Andrea Payne
Michelle Peden
Brian Pennington
Gloria Pereida
Marc Perline

Junk Food Invades Torrance High

Like any other high school around, Torrance High had its share of junkies — junk food junkies that is. This popular breed of teenagers came in all varieties: pretty, snobby, chubby, skinny, brainy, ugly, and yes, even zitty! But, the junk food junkies at T.H.S. could be broken into two basic categories, the high-class eaters and the low-class eaters.

The high-class junk food junkies were usually juniors, and also of course, seniors. These students usually had a car, so they were able to go out to local fast-food franchises, such as Carl's Jr.,

McDonalds, Jack-in-the-Box, and Taco Bell. Also, these junk food eaters most likely had jobs, so they could afford the higher prices of the food off campus.

The sophomores and freshmen made up the low-class junk food-crazed eaters. Since they ordinarily didn't have the disposal of a car, they usually "brown-bagged" it at lunch or used the ever-popular snack machines. From these machines one could get a delicious lunch at a pretty good price. For example, a large size, granola, chocolate-chip cookie, a bag of pretzels, and a

chocolate milk would only cost a little more than a buck.

All in all, most of the students didn't really worry about what they popped into their mouths around lunchtime. Senior Sammy Gerbasi commented, "I really don't think of junk food as junk food, 'cause it's so much a part of my everyday eating habits." But, there were still some students who would always be caught in the obsession of junk food. One such person was junior Karen Kwan, who exclaimed, "Junk food is my life and my only destiny!!!"

Julie Peterson
Lisa Pettinato
Chad Phelan
Larry Pistole
Laurie Pistole
Marcantoni Pizzati
Alyssa Platt



Ronald Porter
Hovig Postik
Hratch Postik
Cindy Powell
Debra Premus
Lisa Prevost
Rebeca Prewitt



Stephanie Pritchett
Jacqueline Prophet
Tina Puente
Cherie Pyle
Jerry Quinones
Sandy Racic
Nancy Rainy



Andi Rajok
Irene Ramirez
William Randles
Deborah Reasbeck
Leslie Reed
Scott Reese
Curt Renfro



Christopher Richards
Scott Richards
Michael Richardson
Matthew Riese
Randy Riggs
Edwin Roberts
Yvonne Roberts



Donna Robertson
Douglas Roeder
Joe Roth
Kristina Rotter
Robert Rubio
Christine Rufino
Robert Ruiz



Madrona Marsh Faces Extinction

Throughout the year, much public concern was aroused due to a new development proposed in Torrance. In spring 1981, the Torrance Investment Company filed plans for the Park Del Amo development, located on land commonly known as the Madrona Marsh.

The Madrona Marsh, which encompassed 54.3 acres of the total 182.6 acre development, contained a number of species of birds, reptiles, amphibians, small mammals, and plants. The Friends

of Madrona Marsh, formed in fall, 1973, have been working ever since to save the marsh.

Because of the complexity of the project and the possible adverse effects that it could have on the environment, an Environmental Impact Report was required. When it was finished in June 1981, the EIR was the size of a telephone book.

Public Hearings were held in front of the City's Environmental Review Board, and on October 21 the EIR was declared adequate

and accurate. Nearly 400 people filled the Council Chambers on November 10, in order to give testimony on the adequacy of the EIR. Jack Le Resche felt that the EIR was biased toward the developer and said, "The Environmental Impact Report is not to be used to rationalize the approval of the project. And that's exactly what the EIR does." Most who spoke were critical of the project and a final decision on the adequacy of the EIR was delayed until December 8.



James Bolinas displays his appreciation for the new salad bar.



Jerilyn Schmidt
Mary Schmidt
Karen Schooly
Joyce Schultz
Jennifer Schwartz
Sheryl Semon
Michael Shapiro



Grace Shibasaki
Stacy Shimabukuro
Lyle Shore
Sarah Siefkin
Steven Silbiger
James Sims
Sherri Sitterley



Danny Skari
Erik Skeans
Patricia Slattery
David Smith
Larry Smith
Marc Smith
Maryanne Smith



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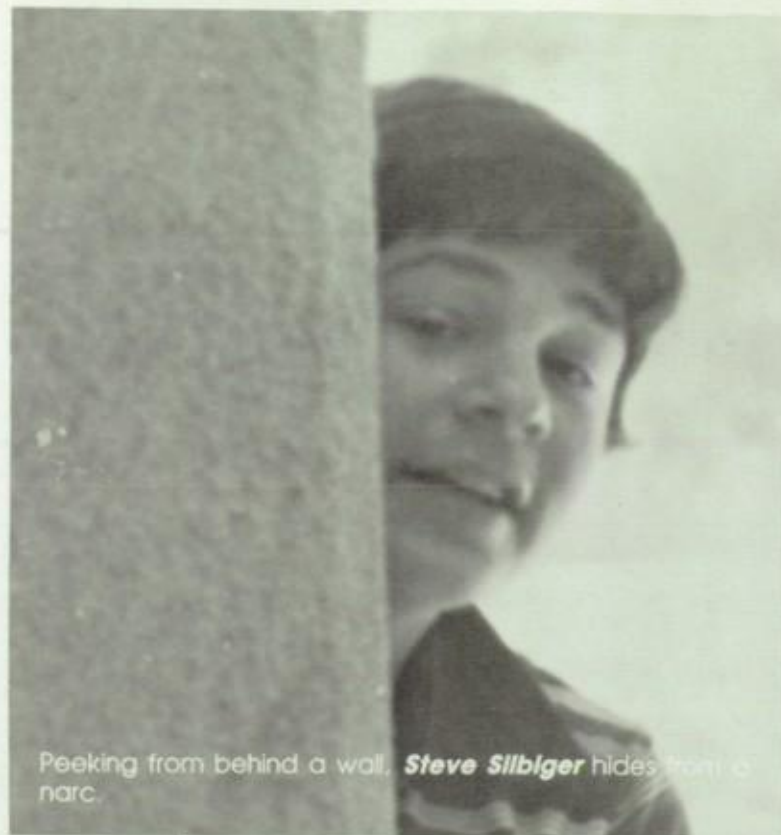
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Gregory Tobias
Cory Tomolke
Kathy Tompkins
Rupa Toprani

Elizabeth Torres
Sherry Torres
Gillian Townsend
Muoi Tran
Thang Tran
Linda Treher
Shawn Trowbridge



Peeking from behind a wall. **Steve Silblger** hides from a narc.





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Paul Turner
Scott Tuttle
Rebecca Tyrrell
Terri Unzueta
Christine Vabre
Jeffrey Valliere



Franklin Van Reyn
Vivian Vega
Christopher Vigil
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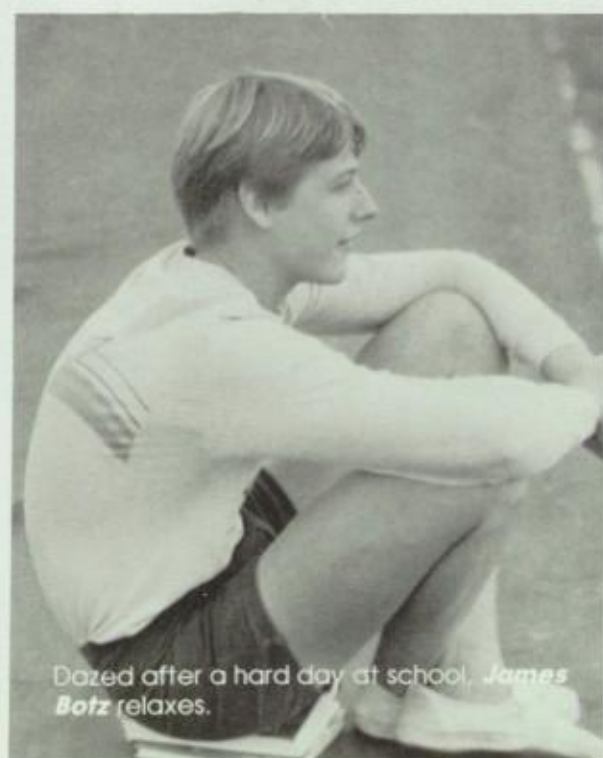
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Theresa Woerner
Ruth Woodford



Jill Woods
Troy Woods
Gina Woodson
Gary Woofter
Jerald Wright
Panida Yakaret
Peter Yamada



Grace Yang
Sharon Yoon
Jamie Young
Thomas Young
Desiree Yu
Scott Zafran
Danny Zieger



Dazed after a hard day at school, **James Botz** relaxes.



Sophomore pep squad members **Sheryl Semon, Lisa St. Amant, Denise Laursen,** and **Susan Morris** show their enthusiasm.

Hard Work Worthwhile For Frosh Council

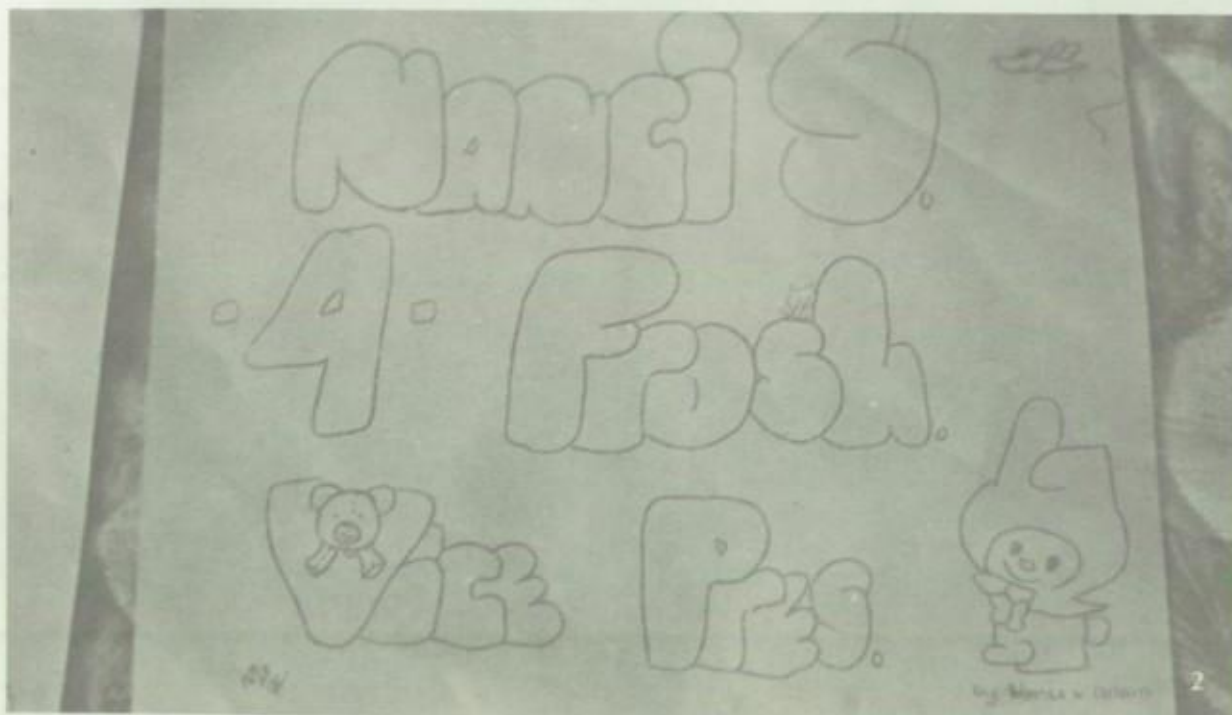
After the fall Freshman Class Council was elected, they wasted no time advancing their sales. President Mi-K Kim directed the inexperienced group, who soon became accustomed to the long hours of hard work it took to make the semester a success.

The fall council spent much time holding fundraisers, such as bake sales and concessions. However, their most successful fundraiser was working in the student store selling snacks, bringing in a week's profit of \$212.65. At the end of first semester, the amount of money

the council had raised came to a total of \$332.45.

The spring council was elected in late January. President Julie Claxton directed the newly elected council to continue with the work where the fall council had left off.

Mi-K Kim commented about the council, "It was a lot of time, patience, and hard work, but it was all worthwhile knowing it all went to a good cause. We had our hard times, but it all worked out for the best, and it was a whole bundle of fun!"



1. Fall Council. Secretary **Diane Buerge**; President; **Mi-Kyung Kim**; Comm. of Publicity, **Karry Kiyonaga**; Service League Rep., **Melissa Slone**, Treasurer, **Vicki Kato**; Vice President, **Karen Burleson**. Not pictured: ICC Rep.,

Michelle Early; Historian, **John Lee**; Comm. of Special Events, **Kim Dausner**. 2. Good publicity can be an effective way to win votes for a class election as it was for **Nanci Smith**.





1. Hooked up to his Walkman at a cross country invitational, freshman **Tim Grove** spreads peace while he patiently waits for his race to begin. 2. Spring President **Julie Claxton** gives her winning speech at the Freshman Class elections. 3. Upstairs in the science building, **Rodney Walkup** and **Jim Wheatley** check out the crowd down below. 4. Spring Council. Front Row: Treasurer, **Maggie Lee**; Vice President, **Nanci Smith**; President, **Julie Claxton**. Back Row: Comm. of Special Events, **Nina Marcoux**; Secretary, **Andrea DeSilets**; ICC Rep., **Sheila Richardson**; Service League Rep., **Diana Bohan**.



Robert Aguilar
Meinardo Aguilera
Alejo Alarcon
Howard Albin
Nancy Alford
Michelle Algarne
Daniel Alvarez



Steve Apodoca
Julie Arceri
Diana Arnado
Debbie Arrowsmith
Mary Ann Artavia
Steve Ashkarian
Janice Atsumi



Michael Backman
Laurie Baczkowski
Arnold Baddeley
Lara Baeker
Todd Baker
Anita Balachandra
William Ballew



Anthony Banks
Nancy Barber
John Barclay
Aileen Barclay
Margaret Barrett
Matthew Bartelt
David Batshon



Soloman Batshon
Brad Bauman
Earl R. Beeman III
Luis Bentivengo
Eric Beranek
Steven Berg
David Berlfein



Michael Bernstein
Robert Blando
Nikki Bilbrey
Nicholas Birakos
Michael Bird
Leonard Blevins
Annalise Bleyaert



Football Games Kicks Off Freshmen Year

Within the first month of the school year, many different situations had been encountered. This was especially true for the incoming freshmen. First of all, their class size grew from a couple of hundred students to over 500. They had to adjust to a larger campus, as well as seeing over 1000 students in one compact area. However, the most memorable experience for the freshmen was seeing their first varsity football game.

On September 11, 1982, the Tartars met the Hawthorne Cougars. And although the game was four days before the start of school, this did not keep the freshmen from attending this event. They were quickly recognized as they tried to act "cool", and not appear apprehensive as they attended their first high school event. However, as the game continued, the excitement began to build inside each person, until finally,

after the Tartars defeated the Cougars 14-0, the young Tartars let out a victory scream that could be heard throughout the surrounding neighborhood. The general feeling of the class of 1985 was expressed by Karry Kiyonaga, who said, "My first reaction was that I was kind of surprised. It wasn't at all what I thought it was going to be like. It turned out to really fun."



Diana Bohan
Paul Bolde
Michelle Bouza
John Brace



Darren Bradford
Fronie Brennan
Shirley Brennan
Tony Bressickello



Dewona Brice
Bryan Brown
Tina Brown
Carla Brumbalough



Billy Bryant
Diane Buerge
Jolie Bullock
Cindy Burgess



Karen Burleson
Kristina Burris
Jerry Buss
Kim Cagaanan
Milagros Camero
Elaine Cameron
Gina Cantabene



Camille Caprioglio
Jennifer Cardas
Maria Carrillo
Jamie Carson
Aaron Castellon
Vicki Chaison
Wen-Tien Chang



Jorgette Chavez
Jeannie Chavez
Nicholas Chen
Robert Chong
Thano Christ
David Christian
Helen Chung



Michele Clark
Julie Claxton
Christine Clemens
James Cleveland
Jan Cleverdon
Joseph Close
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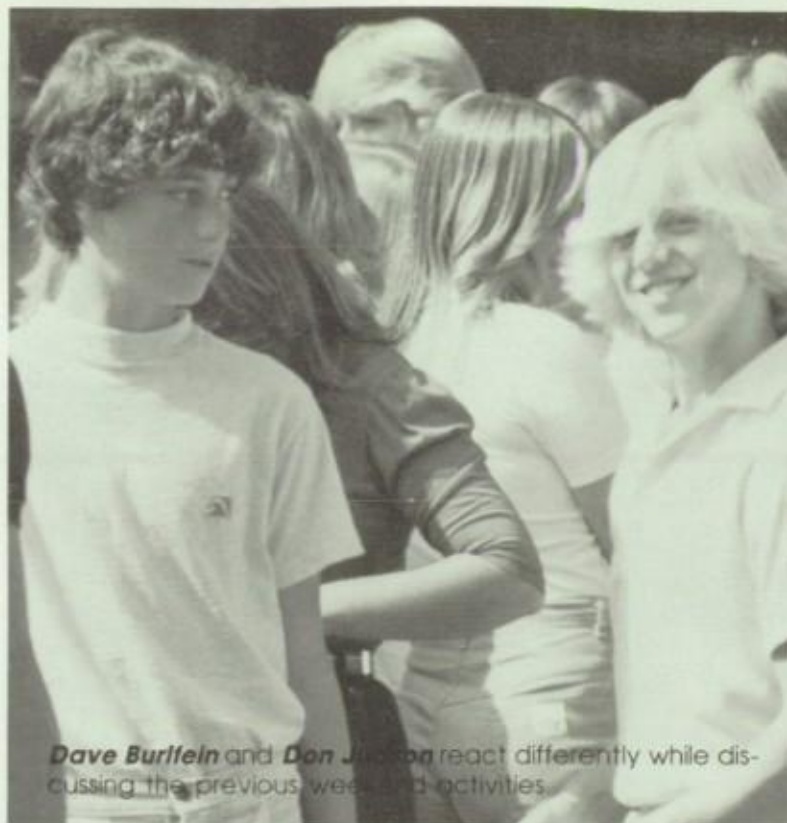
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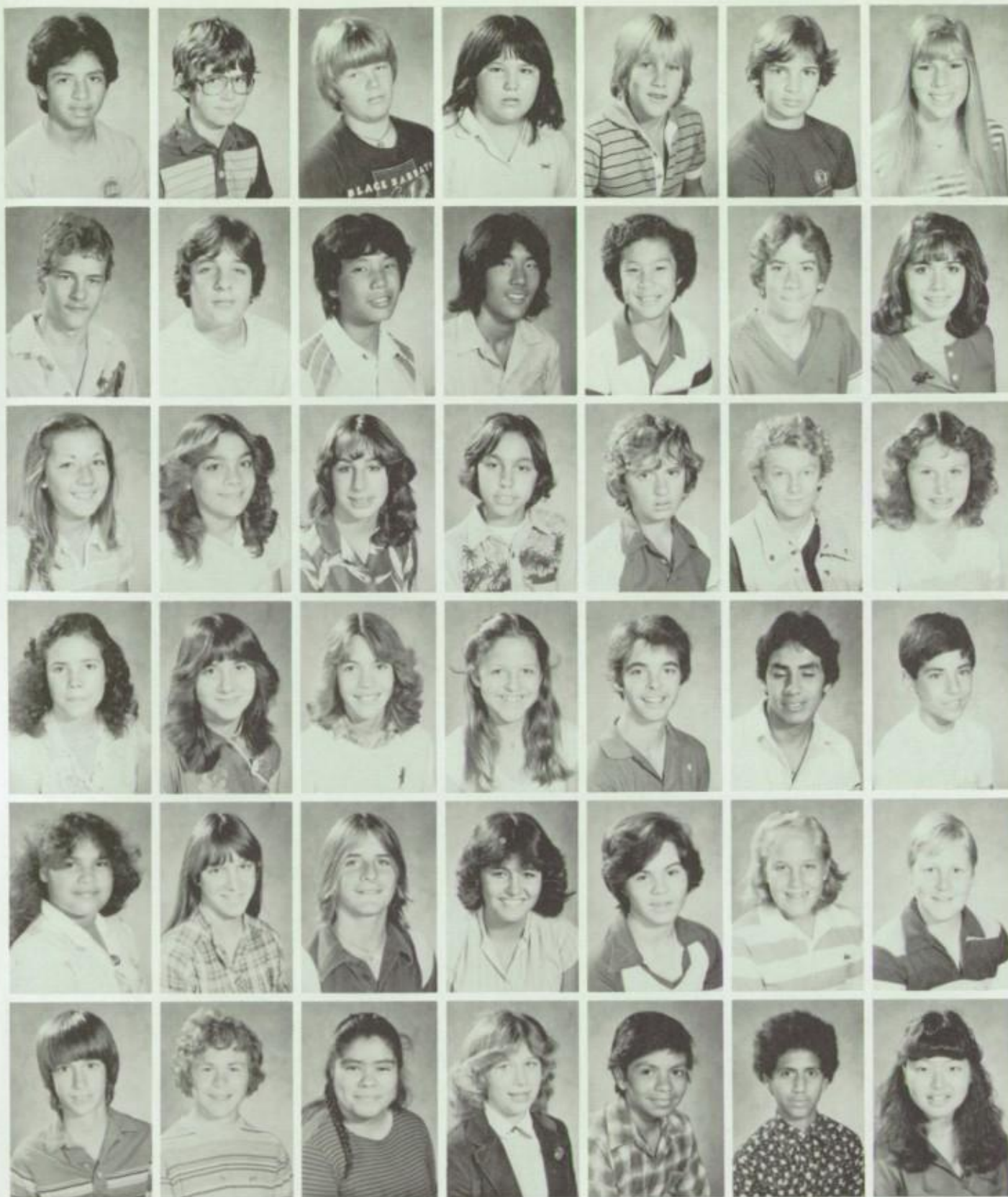
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Sharon Drobka
David Duke
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Robert Dykes
Andrea Eads
Michelle Early
Garner Eastham
Thomas Ellis
Jon Erickson
Kristin Erickson

Mark Estrada
Joseph Eubanks
Suzanne Ewen
Lisa Fahnestock
Angela Farquhar
Susan Faust
Matthew Fisher





Mario Flores
Wayne Flower
Mark Folkrod
Tammy Ford
Venus Forehand
Charles Foster
Jamie Fowler

Todd Fraser
Matthew Frick
Baron Fujimoto
Laurence Fujimoto
Rand Fujimoto
Donald R. Fulton Jr.
Dawn Gainor

Laurel Gallant
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Lori Gillard

Kerri Gilmore
Emanuela Giordano
Lori Githens
Lisa Gleason
Mike Goldsworthy
Antonio Gonzales
Chris Gonzales

Monique Gonzalez
Michele Good
Scott Granlee
Bobbi Grant
Randy Gray
Melissa Griffin
Randy Griffiths

Timothy Grove
Richard Guest
Celia Guillen
Deanne Gunter
Jose Gutierrez
Luis Guzman
Michelle Hahn

Freshmen Find THS "Awesome"

Freshmen experienced quite a change in switching from middle school to high school. Most had a positive attitude toward THS. Freshman Colette Wolinsky said, "This school's great, the people are great, and I wouldn't want to go anywhere else!"

Katina Kennedy, a typical funloving freshman exclaimed, "I like Friday nights . . . the spirit at the games is neat."

And Tracy Garcia, a sports fan,

commented, "I love the football games and especially the football players."

Not surprisingly, all freshmen expressed an aversion to homework.

Debbie Arrowsmith, another freshman, apparently overwhelmed by THS, expressed the feelings of most freshmen. "Torrance High School is awesome!"



Lisa Hall
Michelle Hall
Paige Halliwell
Michael Hamilton
Eddie Hammons
Dorothy Hancock
Cynthia Hankawa



Marcus Hardy
Sue Harlan
Jana Harper
Paul Hartwell
Gale Hashimoto
Paula Hatakeyama
Karl Hatt



Teri Hayden
Ralph Hernandez
Kevin Higgins
Alan Hill
Gary Hill
Georgiana Horibe
Zolton Horvath



Chris Howerton
Melissa Iler
Kimberly Iwane
Rebecca Jackson
Mark Jacobs
Jeff Jamile
Mike Jaramillo



Charlene Jessen
Mindy Jewell
Chad Johnson
Jeffery Johnson
Sheri Johnson
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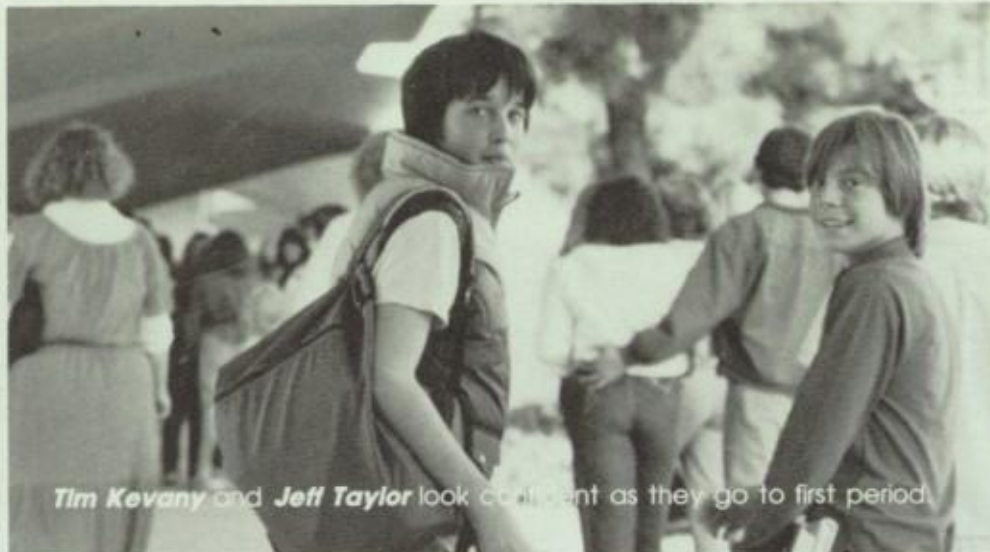
City Gains New Police Station

Torrance criminals acquired a bigger and better prison to dwell in and the Torrance Police Department, a new, better-equipped place to do their work. The new facility, which had been in planning for five years, was constructed behind the old facility on Torrance Boulevard and Madrona Avenue and was completed in March, 1982.

Because the old facility was too out of date and the jail wasn't up to state standards, the new facility was built in a more current fashion and was designed to accommodate a growth projection of approximately 20 years.

The new police facility was another sign of the recent growth and building up of Torrance.





Tim Kevany and Jeff Taylor look confident as they go to first period.

Vicki Kato
Tina Kauffman

Kari Kawabata
Yasuko Kawahara



Scott Kawasaki
Jill Kellogg
Jonathan Kendig
Katina Kennedy
Marla Kerr
Tim Kevany
Melanie Kido



Kathy Kikuno
Mi-Kyung Kim
Paul Kim
Sang Kim
Yong Kim
Denise Kingsmill
Steve Kinsey



Ricky Kirkwood
Edward Kisling
Sandra Kittle
Karry Kiyonaga
Karen Kohlmeier
Lisa Koski
Mark Kroeger



Yvette Kugler
Michael Kwon
Matthew Labbe
Andrew Lamp
Corrine Langer
Nancy Languis
Mindy Lauchner



David Lavezzari
Jenine Lawlor
Julie Lawlor
John Lee
Maggie Lee
Won Lee
Rhonda Leisure



Kristi Lenser
Brian Lerman
Glen Licht
John Liebenau
Kent Lillis
Chu-Feng Lin
Julie Lisnow

Tracy Lofgren
Deborah Longacre
David Lopez
Fabienne Lopez

Jayme Lorentz
Rosana Lubrani
Jeff Lynch
Randy Lynn

Stuart Mac Nicol
Mila Madrid
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Lisa Magnuson

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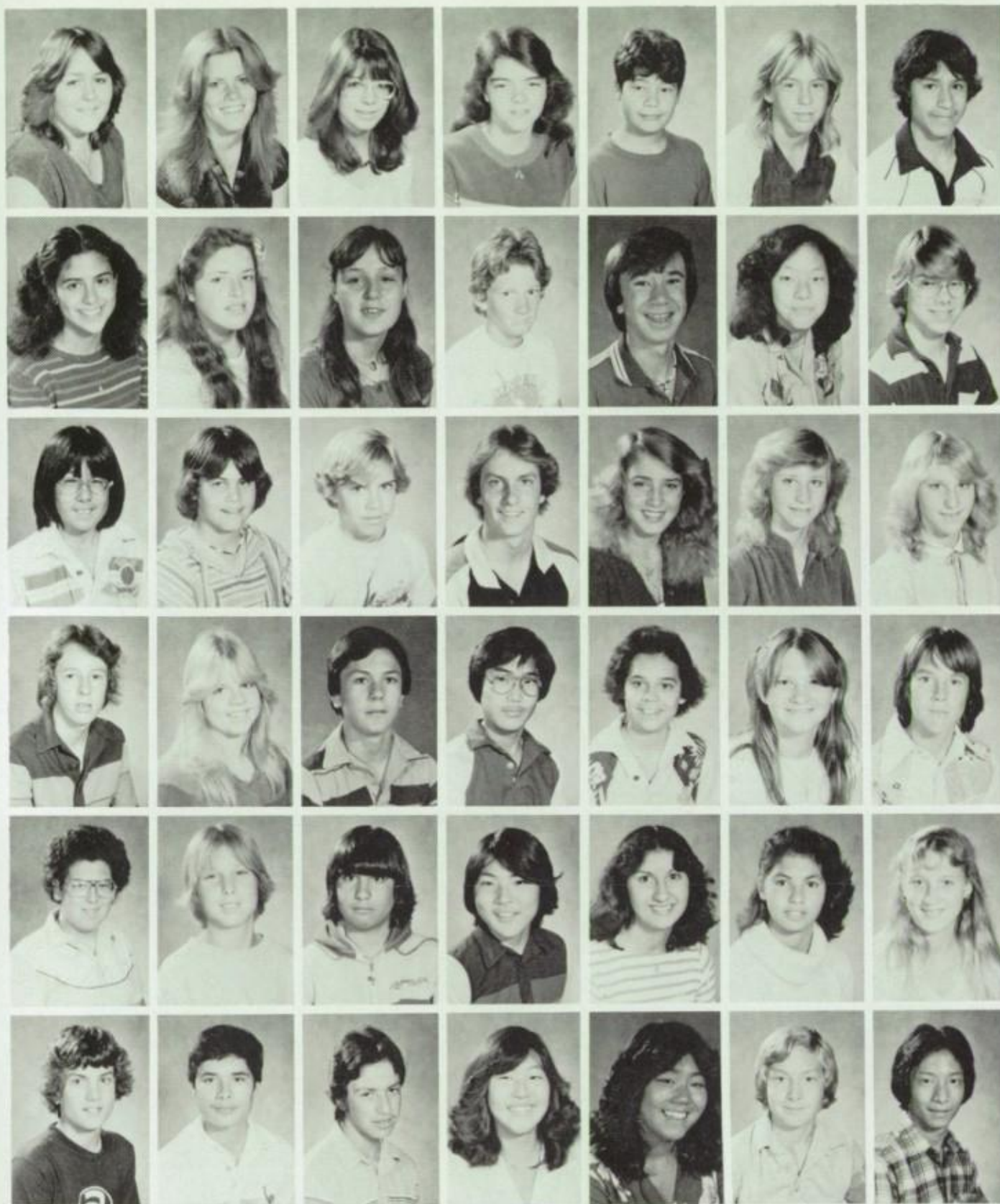
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Frank Marumoto
Dori Maruo

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Kevin Masuda
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Sandra McCarthy
Steve McConnell
Christopher McElwee

Harriett McEwen
Laura McGrath
Carla McGrew
Scott McKenzie
Scott McLachlan
Christopher McLaughlin
Timothy McManus

Suzanne McKennon
Tammy Mervosh
Edward Meyer
Olga Michel
Oscar Michel
Teresa Milam
Sean Millar





Kristi Mitchell
Robin Mohn
Kimberly Monfore
Dawn Monroe
Raymond Monroy
Peter Moore
Mario Mora

Rosanne Mora
Sophia Moreno
Dawn Morgan
Raymond Mossberg
Mike Mullins
Wendy Muranaka
Steven Musil

Todd Nakamine
Christopher Nash
Brian Neal
Lee Needham
Wendy Nelson
Tina Neu
Toni Neu

Robert Nickolson
Sebrina Nolan
Omar Novoa
Kevin Nuibe
Hector Nunez
Heidi O'Brien
Damon O'Connor

Robert O'Donnell Jr.
Robert O'Dell
George Ochoa
Steve Okada
Olivia Olea
Isabel Olloque
Gina Oreskovich

Nicholas Oreskovich
Anthony Ortega
Louie Ortiz
Michele Oshima
Laani Otsuji
Thomas Paavola
Paul Paik

Farms Keep Torrance Ruralized

Of all the produce stands in Torrance, the most well known were the two Cottone and Sons lots on the corner of Maple Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard, and on Sepulveda Boulevard and Madrona Avenue. The two fields, which included the strawberry and pumpkin patches along Crenshaw and Sepulveda Boulevards, contained about 150 acres of land.

The Cottone family, included the parents and four sons, as well as two daughters, and six daughters-

in-law, and employed between 100 and 125 people, depending on the season. During December, they featured Christmas trees, and during the summer months, corn and strawberries were offered.

Their land, which was leased by the city, was part of the Madrona Marsh. "If the Marsh is sold, we're out of business", said Tom Cottone.

The Cottone and Sons farms were also local tourist attractions. Many local elementary schools scheduled field trips to the farm

sites. When asked what the biggest problem with having a farm in the city was, Tom Cottone stated, "Surprisingly enough, we don't mind the people eating the strawberries. However, if they don't know how to pick them right, the plants get damaged. Also, people with four-wheel drive vehicles will go through the fields and tear out the watering systems." Despite these minor difficulties, the Cottone family planned to continue to serve the community.

Marco Palacios
Beau Palica
David Paskal
Christopher Pavis
Steven Peckum
Gina Pena
Yvonne Peru



Tim Petersen
Steven Pierce
Nicole Pittman
Jamie Pivovarov
Monique Plotner
Kristen Post
Patricia Premus



Ernest Price
William Priest
Evelyn Quicksey
Jerry Rabon
Rodney Rainwater
Paul Raish
Tracy Reed



Kristi Reinert
Gary Remington
Karen Reto
Vivian Rhyne
Trudi Rice
Sheila Richardson
Gustabo Rodriguez



Robert Rodriguez
Dorothy Romero
Ron Rose
Leisa Rowe
Karen Roy
Mitchell Rudeen
Scott Ruff



Mike Ruffell
Matt Rumley
Michael Rusanoff
Debra Rutherford
David Sabunas
Adam Sacks
Richard Sader



Students Catch Late Show

If your mommy and daddy would allow you to stay out until two o'clock in the morning it might have been worth your while to check out some of the midnight movies. Midnight movies were shows that one usually couldn't view at any other time.

The audiences at the late shows tended to react with a little more enthusiasm that was allowed at a daytime show. Kim Donner exclaimed, "The surfers in the audience entertained me more

than the flicks!"

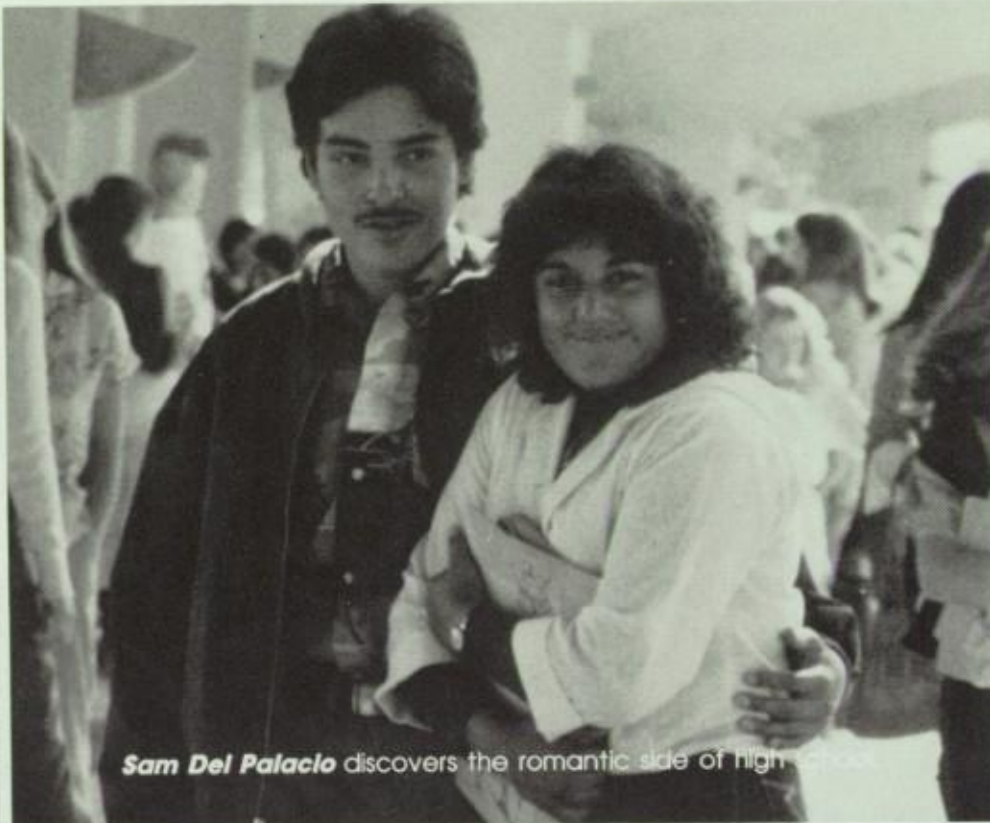
Bruce Bergersen and Doug Beranek, had enjoyed many surfing films, but both claimed that, "If you've seen one, you've seen 'em all."

Audience participation was not unusual either. For example, at The Rocky Horror Picture Show, many viewers would know all the songs, most of the lines, and have ritual reactions to various scenes in the movie.

Roars of excitement could be

heard when a favorite band appeared in The Decline of Western Civilization, a documentary about the Los Angeles punk rock scene. There were also other films which featured the music of other such bands such as Led Zeppelin, The Rolling Stones, and The Ramones.

Many students have seen their favorite midnight movie dozens of times.



Marlon Samuels
Steven Sangster



Chizuko Sasaki
Lorrie Sato



Mari Sawa
Jess Schafer



Andy Schelest
Sandra Schimpf
Rhonda Schlageter
Kim Schmidt
Mike Schmidt
Robert Schmidt
Paul Schneider



Sandra Schultz
Michael Scott
Rae Seelhorst
James Sexton II
Tracy Sforza
Wendy Shapiro
Charles Shaw



Jeff Shaw
Ronald Shazer
Kazuhiro Shida
Kary Shirley
Peter Shirvinsky
Jeffrey Siegel
Armando Silva



Gary Silver
Marc Simons
John Sinner
Melissa Sloan
David Smart
Michael Smith
Nanci Smith



Rhonda Smith
Tami-Jean Smith
Victoria Smith
Merianne Snow
Stephanie Snow
Karla Soldyn
Toyooki Sonoda

Shannon Soqui
Cindy Sorensen

Doreen Sparks
Jillene Spencer

Michelle Sperry
Randall Starr
John Stathoulis
Jerry Stevenson
Betty Steward
Helmut Stiebel
Tony Sun

Heather Sutherland
Rhonda Sutton
Jill Suzuki
Zachary Swanson
Dereck Tabata
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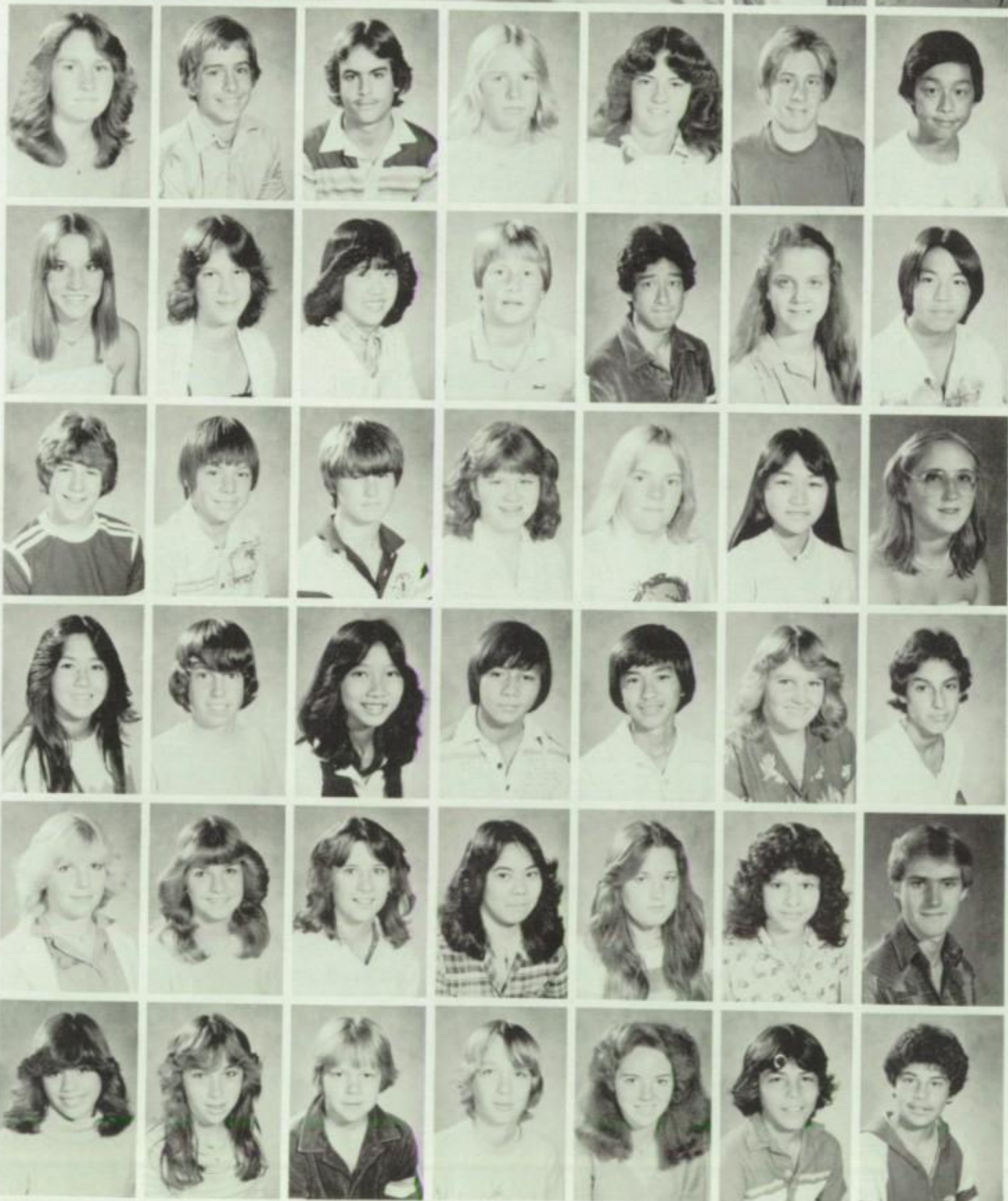
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Lora Trowbridge
Dean Trujillo

Anne Twamley
Cindy Tyler
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Viki Umemoto
Shelley Uvaney
Jessica Valencia
Randall Vallee

Heidi Van Zee
Michelle Vandenberg
Kalle Varav
Peter Veits
Jennifer Venable
Leroy Vigil
Lawrence Villa



Cindy Hankawa worries about the first day of school.





Ernesto Villarreal
John Walker
Rodney Walkup
Michael Wallace
Thomas Walters
James Watkins
Thomas Watson

Myles Weaver
Jim Wheatley
Michael White
Michael White
Brian Whitehead
Mindy Wiener
Pamela Wilkerson

Del Williams
Tabetha Williams
Debbie Wilson
Todd Wilson
Jonathan Wolf
Colette Wolinsky
Michael Woo

Tammy Wood
Traci Woods
Tricia Woofter
Edward Workins
Jeanine Wurzell
Richard Wurzer
Lesley Wyyill

Kimberly Yano
Marilyn Yano
Annette Ybarra
Lisa Ybarra
Vanessa Yingling
Joyce Yoshino
Robert Young

Raymond Zak
Julie Zieger
Glenn Zima
David Zingery

Scheduling Disappoints Frosh

"Everything that could possibly go wrong, went wrong," replied freshman Glen Licht. What Licht was talking about was the trauma every freshman goes through at Torrance High — self-scheduling. In August, 1981, the freshmen scheduled their fall classes for the first time. For some freshmen, it went well. While for others, it did not. Dean Trujillo stated, "It stunk!"

Armando Silva complained, "All the classes I wanted to take were full, so I had to change my whole schedule around." Others, like

Gary Silvers, got all their classes, but regreted taking them. Some freshmen, such as Chris McElwee and Steve Peckum thought, "Scheduling was a pain."

However, there were some positive opinions of registration. "It went perfect," said Matt Bartelt. Many freshmen received all the classes they wanted with no problems at all. Melissa Iler stated, "The people were very helpful and the scheduling went smoothly."



1. The Space Shuttle Columbia is launched from Kennedy Space Center in Florida. 2. **President Reagan** speaks to an attentive crowd. 3. **Sandra Day O'Connor** is sworn-in as a Supreme Court Justice by **Chief Justice Warren Burger** as her husband, **John O'Connor** looks on. 4. The Supreme Court Justices pose with the President in the Court Conference Room.



Prices, Space Shuttle Go Up

Both local and national events have a great effect upon the students. Perhaps the most direct influence on the students is the economic policies of President Reagan. Despite the President's efforts, prices, especially those of gas and food, are still very high, with a gallon of unleaded gas costing \$1.32. The President not only made the economic news, but also set a precedent by appointing Sandra Day O'Connor as the first woman Supreme Court Justice.

Possibly the most spectacular news event of the year was the launching of the Space Shuttle Columbia. Both of its launchings were successful.

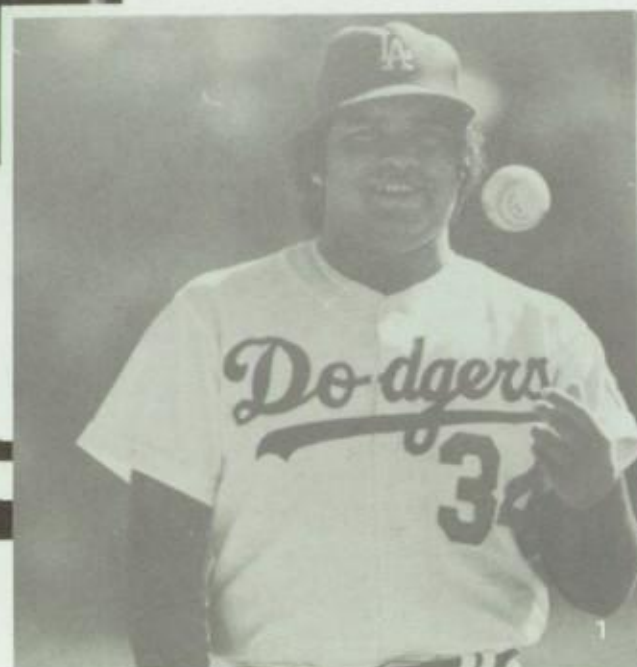
California also played a large role in this year's sports events. The Los Angeles Dodgers won the World Series with the help of the national sensation Fernando Valenzuela. Fernando overwhelmed LA's baseball crowd, while a generation of Mediterranean Fruit Flies overwhelmed the rest of the state. Beginning near San Francisco, the fruit flies soon covered most of the state.

Overseas news also had effects upon the students. "The Wedding" of England's Prince Charles to Lady Diana was watched, via satellite, by most of the world.

1. Fernando Valenzuela is 1981's Rookie of the Year and Cy Young award winner.



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A Day In The Life Of A Tartar

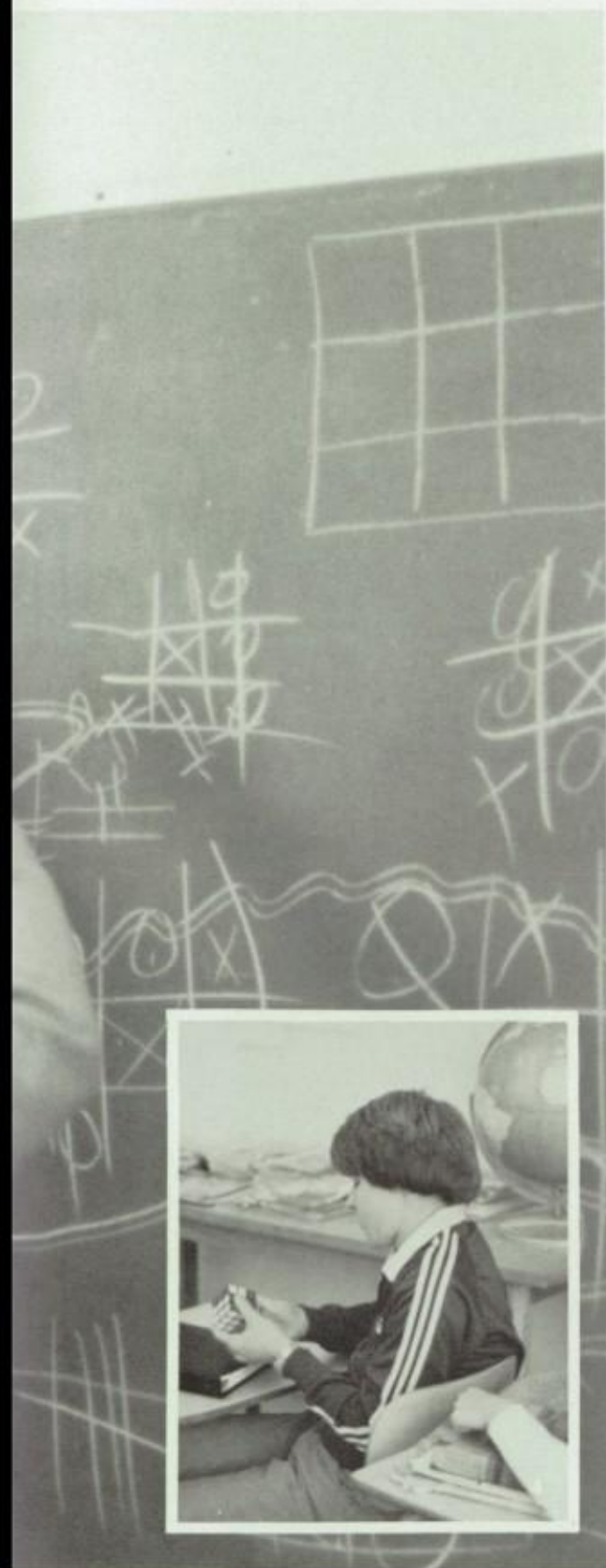
High school is filled with memories. As a result, some of the little details of everyday school life can be forgotten.

Who could forget experiences such as: arriving a little late and being locked out of the parking lot, forced to park on the street several blocks away; and rushing from first period in the bungalows to second period in the annex, and trying to explain that it's "a long way!" to your teacher as she marks you tardy for the tenth time.

Snack period and lunch are also filled with memories which could be forgotten even without trying. For example, who could forget those famous voices over the public address systems saying, "Donuts are now on sale in the Student Store for only 50 cents!" and "Come on down to the pep rally in front of the boys gym..." Lunch was also the time to hustle the "narcs", because you "forgot" to get a lunch pass; to cram eight people into your car so that you could eat lunch at Carl's Jr., McDonald's, or Taco Bell; to wait in line at the salad bar in the main cafeteria, only to find out that they're out of your favorite dressing; and if you gave up on lunch, to sit near the bay lockers and talk with friends.

1. Fire drills are a typical part of an average school day.



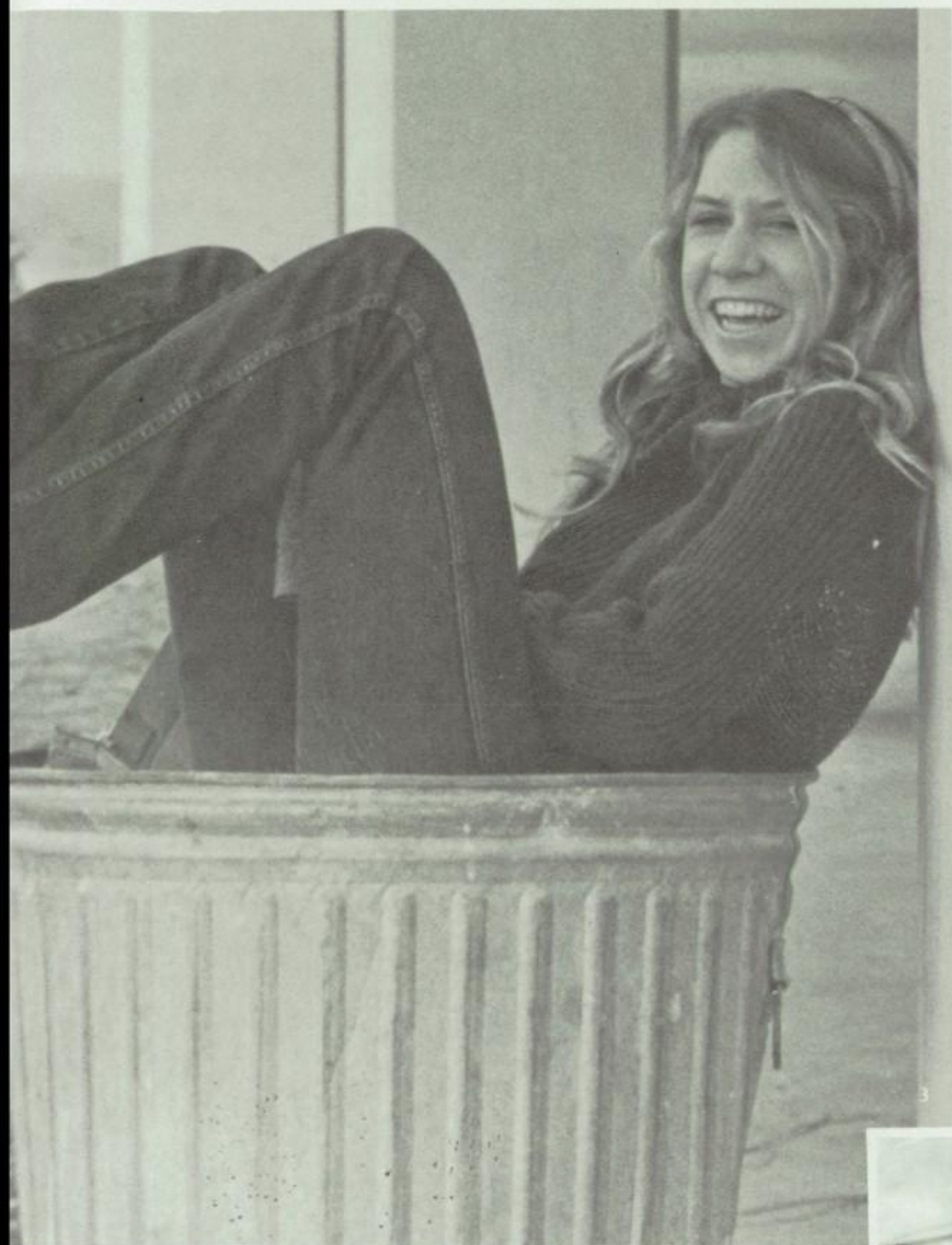


1. Malts and cookies often take the place of a more traditional balanced meal. 2. Most students spend their free time talking with friends. 3. To survive their classes, some classmen turn to tic-tac-toe. 4. Rubik's cubes also provide a passtime for students.



1. A hungry **Billy Tragus** prepares to eat a friend's shoe. 2. Tartars **Barry Kikuno** and **Pat Such** get "carried away." 3. Senior, **Kris Odgers** gets "dumped" by her friends. 4. Wrestler, **Fred Carlson** expresses his astonishment at a friend's remark.





What Is A Tartar?

"The best part of a Tartar is the fact that he is oriental."

—Marshall Ozawa

"A Tartar, no matter how tough the game or how far behind, never gives up."

—Dave Christian

"He (Tartar) is quite the 'boss dude'."

—Dave Gillen

"The best part about the students at THS is that they're all different and a little crazy—you're never sure what might happen!"

—Cindy Christian

Torrance High prides itself in being unique. Neither the Tartar mascot nor the school colors of maroon and grey are often found at other schools. In addition to Torrance's tradition and spirit, the people, both students and faculty, are the school's most unique quality. A true Tartar overcomes obstacles to reach his goals, gives of his time and effort, so that others may benefit, and is always willing to listen and find friends.

1. During Headstart, **Lars Viklund** dresses as a real "cool" Santa.



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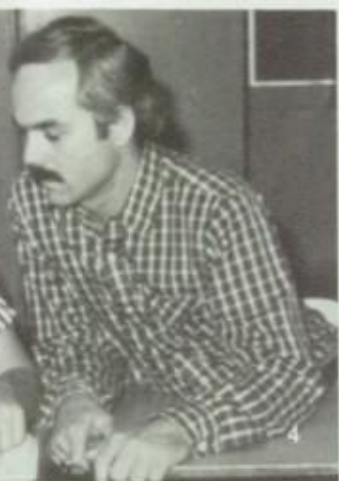
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 2. Football player **Frank Lewin** quenches his thirst during a break in a hard game. 3. **Mary Ellen Napier** is caught off guard by a friend's greeting from the second floor of the library. 5. **Mr. David Holway** checks to make sure that **Tyler McManus** is doing his assignment correctly. 5. **Cheri Pilye** and **Karen Schooley** perform the "Fig Newton" dance.

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1. The "Family," Torrance High's football team, gathers together before a game. 2. Varsity Cheerleader **Bobbi Pavis** boosts Tartar spirit at a basketball game. 3. An exhausted **Mike Hughes** takes a needed rest from school work. 4. Varsity volleyball players **Paige Leech, Shaunna Koenig** and **Donna Drake** enjoy the satisfaction of a successful play. 5. **Karl Hirsch** entertains his "adopted" kid at the Christmas Headstart program.

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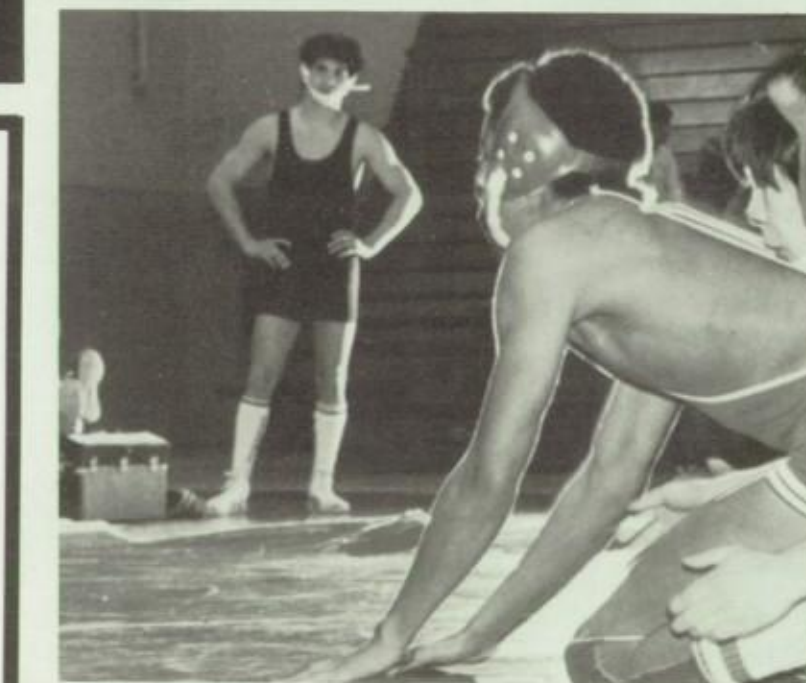
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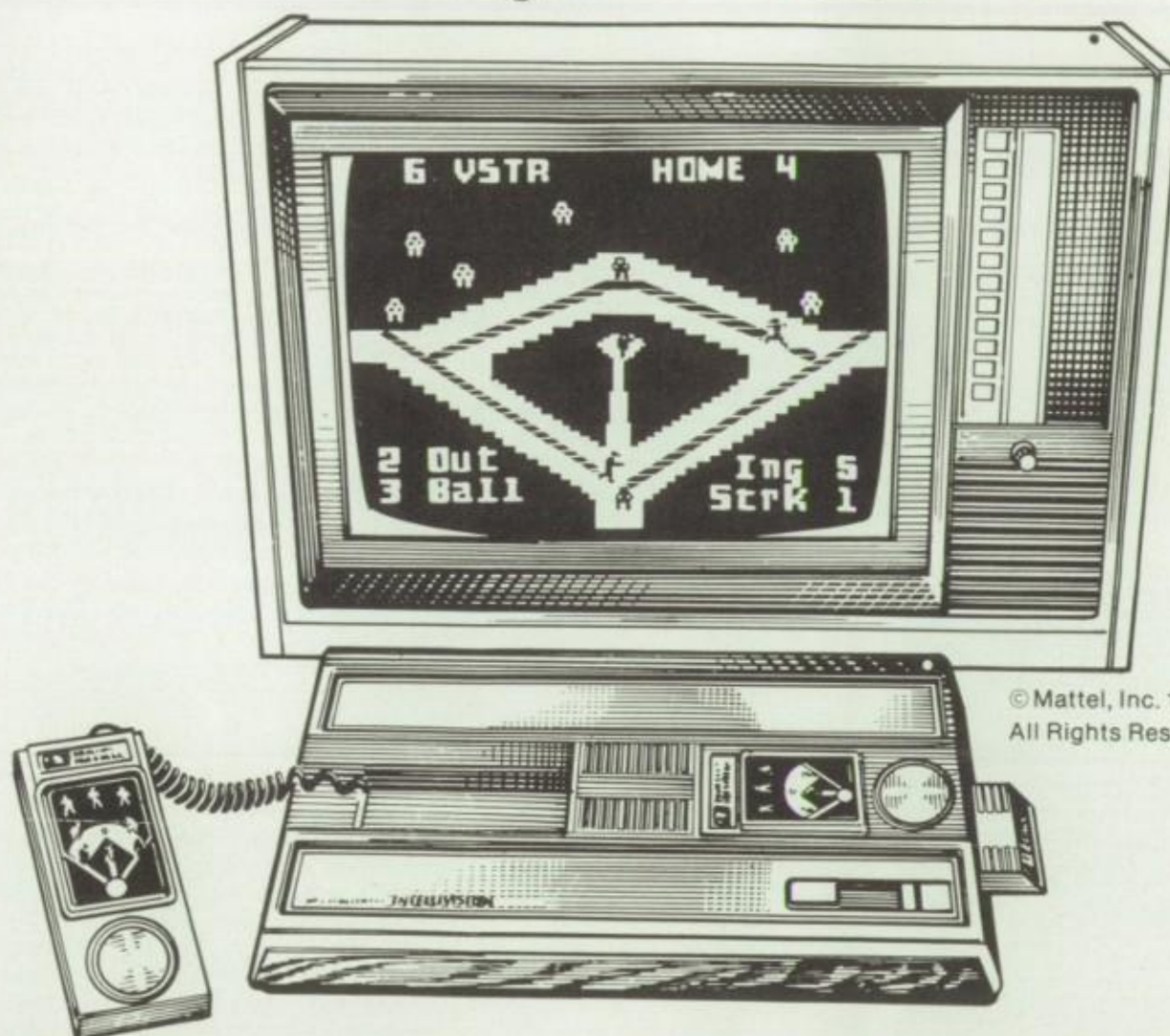
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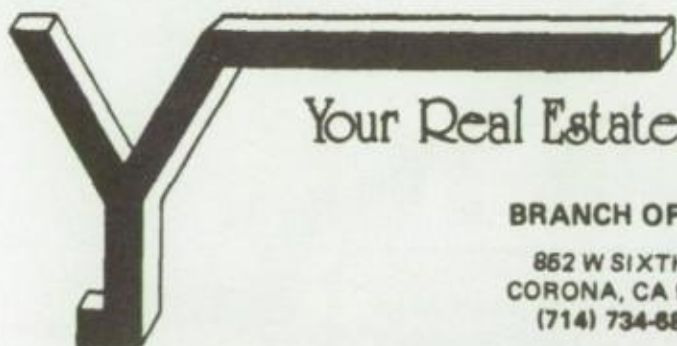
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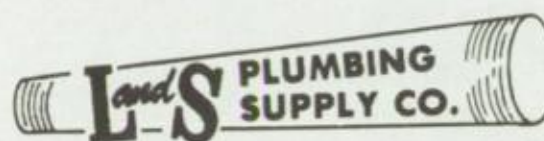
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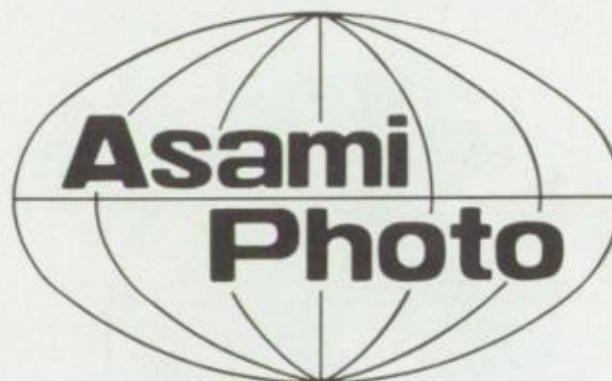
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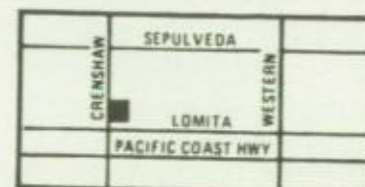
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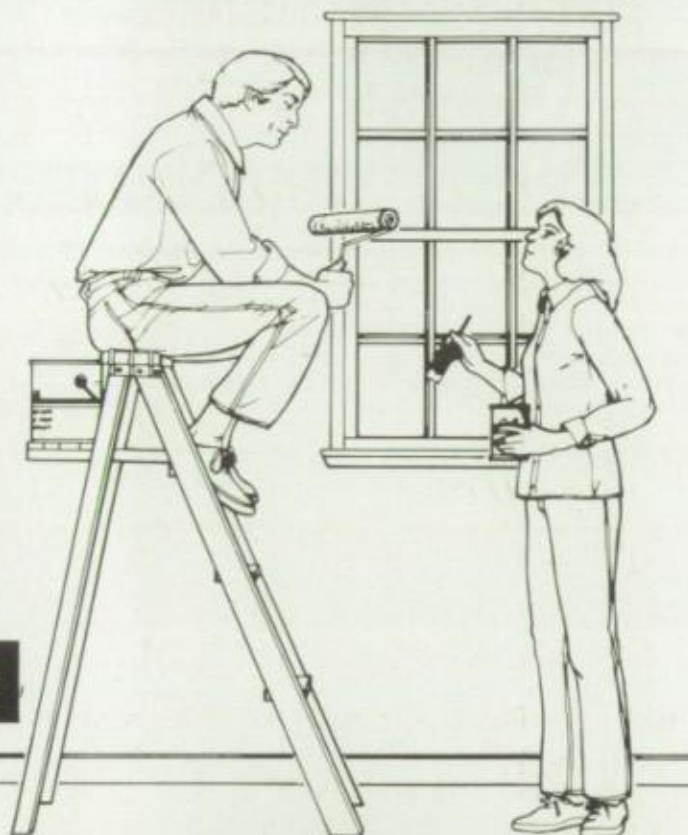
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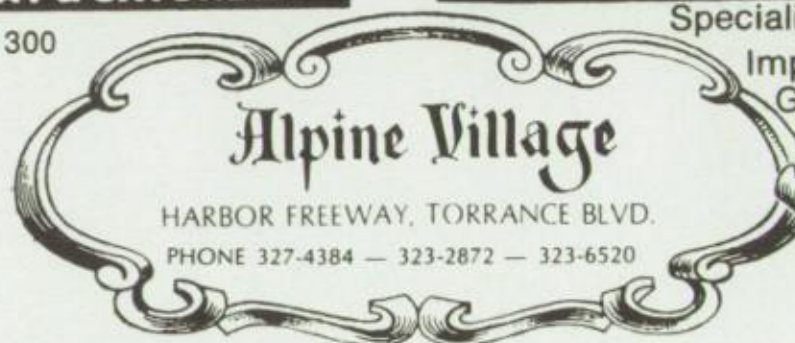


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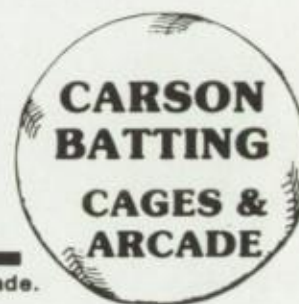
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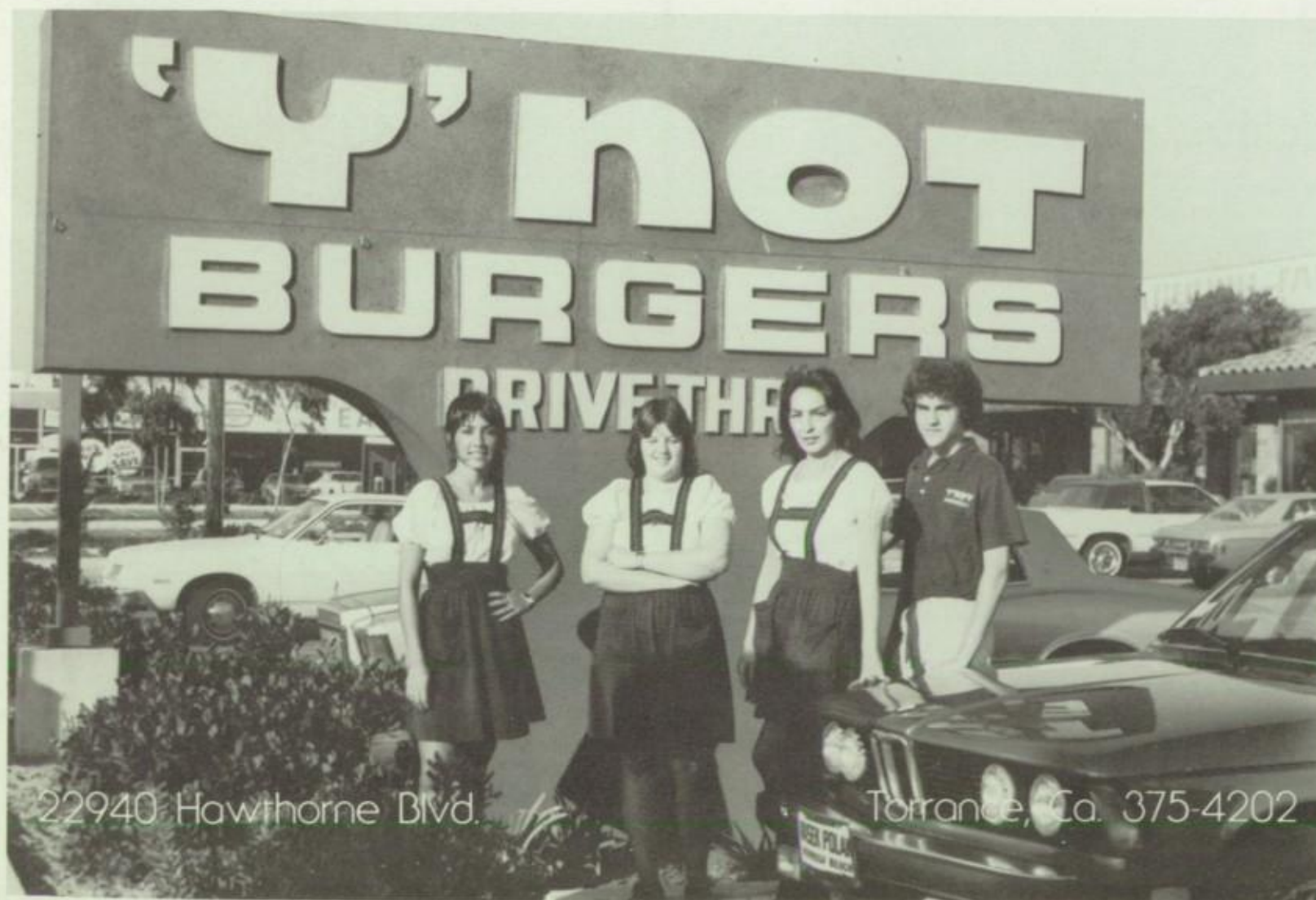
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Mr. and Mrs. Northrup wish happiness and a rewarding future to Suzette, friends, and the class of '82.

Congratulations and best wishes in the future to our daughter, Shelley. Gerrie & John Eisentraut.

Congratulations to my son, Carl Caprioglio and the class of 1982. Janet Murphy

Paul and Eleanor Ozawa and the four "M's" congratulate Marshall on his graduation.

Neil and Aileen White wish to congratulate our daughter, Vicki and the class of 1982.

Mike and Melva Morrow, Tony, Jenni and Holly salute Wendy Cooke and her friends.

Congratulations to all my senior friends who have "finally made it"! Love ya, Regina. Richard and Mary Sloan.

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Vicki, your friendship means a lot to me. Thanks for always being there. - Cindy

Congratulations and best wishes in the future to our daughter, Linda and her class of 1982 from Gene and Judy Marten and sister, Laura.

Congratulations to the great class of 1982, but especially to graduating **Torch** Staff members, Cindy, Brad, Ginny, Tom, Kathy, Leah, Liz, Dave, Colleen, Kellie, Robyn, and Marshall - the best deserve **only** the best! Love always, Jackie Stanton.

Congratulations to the graduating class of '82. Lots of luck in the future. Love, Marshall Ozawa.

Steve and Nan Saracio wish to congratulate those members of Brownie Troop 1521 and Bluebird Holly Cathey.

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Twenty-five years ago 'twas we, now 'tis thee. Congratulations Chris Nanney. - Mom & Dad.

John and Linda Meyer wish to congratulate their son, Richard for a job well done. We're

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Edward and Elsie Pardaff wish continued success and much happiness to their daughter, Virginia.

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Being named Editor-in-Chief of the 1982 Torch was an honor I never expected to receive. It was something I dreamed about, but I felt that there was too many other staff members who were equally qualified for the job. When Dennis Kikuno and Jackie Stanton announced that I was to be the next Editor, I was excited and astounded. Looking back, I don't think I ever thanked them at the time. So, I will take this opportunity to thank Jackie and Dennis for trusting and thinking me worthy of the huge task of putting together this yearbook.

Secondly, I would like to thank all of those staff members who dared to stay with the book for a second year. To Kathy Kamiya, thank you for holding everything together. No one could ever do as much for one book as you have done, but, most of all, thanks for staying a good friend. To Leah Tanikawa, thank you for the color and life you added to the staff. Your articles are among the best in the book. To Liz Neary, thank you for helping out with Seniors and especially Sports. I would also like to thank you for keeping "our picture" so well hidden.

To the new staff, Marshall, Dave, Robyn, Mary Ellen, Leslie, Susan, Lisa and Kellie, you all fulfilled and went beyond the expectations I had set for this year. I have never seen a group of people learn so quickly. It was a pleasure to instruct and to work with you all.

To our photographers, Tom, Gary, Colleen, Kris, Karen and Brian, thank you for putting up with the long hours you put in on an

assignment or in the lab. I feel the photography in this book is the best I've seen.

To my fellow editors, Brad and Virginia, thank you for putting up with me. As a result of your hard work in both layout and copy, I know this is the best book our school has seen.

And, most of all, to Jackie Stanton, thank you for always listening to my problems, whether or not they related to Annual Staff; being patient when I made mistakes; and helping out when I got behind. You are a wonderful advisor, and I shall always consider you a friend. I feel it is safe to say that without you, this book never would have been possible.

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Steve - Hey Steve! This been pretty who know my in your from 68. Love. I hope you're not young! Love Sheri

